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EGMORE,
12th July 1932.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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11. Form of an Account of Sales as ℔ 30th. Par^{a}. of the General Letter.

12. Coja Marut Marcars first Bill of Exchange for £500—on Coja Gregorio, with a Letter of Advice thereof.

13. Account of Goods Over and Wanting by several Ships Arrived from Fort S^{t}. David in 1748.

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Mem^{o}. The Civilians not having settled the Pass mentioned in the General Letter, it cannot be sent at present.

The Ship Severn sailed for Fort S^{t}. David the 6th. April 1749.

No. 2.

List of the Companys Packet to Fort St. David by their Ship Swallow.

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2. List of ships taken up for, and Arrived from the East Indies in 1749 signed by the Secretary.
3. Copy of the Companys Instructions to Capt. Bell and Mr. Thomas Rouchead Agents for Purchasing Slaves at Madagascar.
4. The Companys Indulgence.
5. Copy of Capt. Bells Commission for seizing Unlicenced Persons.
6. Form of an Account of Sales as ₱ 30th. Para. of the General Letter.
7. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be shipt on board the Swallow.
8. Copy of the Swallows Victualling Bill Sign'd by Mr. Henry Crabb Boulton.

No. 3.

List of the Companys Packet to Fort St. David by the Prince Edward.

No. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort St. David dated the 8th. December 1749.

2. Companys separate General Letter to Do. relating to their Engineer General dated the same day.
3. List of Investment to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the ships going out in the Year 1749.
4. Copy Companys General Letter to Fort Marlborough ₱ Suffolk, both likewise Dated the same day.
5. Invoice of the Prince Edward for Fort St. David amountg. to £ 42127 . 19 . 7.
6. Bill of Loading of Do.
7. Abstract of the Yorks Invoice for Fort St. David.
8. Second Bill of Loading of Do.
9. The Companys Indulgence.
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20. Patterns of 150 Bales of Broad Cloth, 11 Bales of Long Ells, 2 Bales of Salloons, 2 Bales of Flannells, and 1 Bale of Deverettes for Fort S^{t}. David ℘ Prince Edward.

21. Invoice of Medicines for Fort S^{t}. David ℘ Prince Edward, the Value being Included in the General Invoice.

22. Key of the Chest of said Medicines.

N.B.—The Draught of the Pass is not yet prepared.

If it should be necessary to peruse the Prince Edwards Charterparty, the Supra Cargoes are furnished with a Copy of it.

The Swallow having sprung her Main Mast, Arrived at Lisbon the 25th. November 1749, and was to sail about the 8th. December following.

The Warren springest her Foremast, put into the Bay of All Saints the 21th. May, and sailed the 18th. June last.

No. 4.

List of the Company's Packet to Fort St. David by the Grantham.

N°. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated the 8th. Decr. 1749.

2. Companys seperate General Letter to D°. relating to their Engineer General dated the same day.

3. Copy Company's General Letter to D°. dated the 3^{d}. November 1749 sent ℘ Portfield.

4. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1749 dated the 8 December 1749.

5. Invoice of the Grantham for Fort S^{t}. David amounting to £ 36442. 18. 8.

6. Bill of Loading of Ditto.

7. Abstract of the Ship Duke of Cumberlands Invoice for Fort S^{t}. David.

8. Second Bill of Loading of D°.

9. The Company's Indulgence.

10. Account of Silver and Coral licenced to be Shipped on board the Grantham for Fort S^{t}. David to purchase Diamonds.

11. Manifest of private Silver licenced to be Shipped on board the Grantham for Fort S^{t}. David, signed by M^{r}. Joseph Micklethwaite.

12. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipped on board the Grantham for Fort S^{t}. David.

13. Copy of the Grantham's Victualling Bill—both these signed by M^{r}. Henry Crabb Boulton.

14. Assays of Coins rec̃ed from Fort S^t. David ℘ Porto Bello. } sign'd by
15. Assays of Coins rec̃ed from D^o. Benjamin. } M^r. Thos. Hort.
16. List of Goods over and wanting by the Ships arrived from Fort S^t. David in 1749.
17. Form of an Abstract of Receipts Issues and Remains of Stores.
18. List of Instruments, referred to in the seperate Letter relating to the Engineer.
19. Copy of the Remarks of the Commissioners of Sick and Wounded on the Accounts of M^r. Belches.
20. Packet, directed to the President and Council of the Hon̄ble the East India Company at Fort S^t. David or any other of their Settlements on that Coast.
21. Packet directed to William Lisle Esqr. Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Ships in the East Indies, or the Commander of any Ship of his Squadron that may be first met with, or in case all the Ships of the said Squadron should be sailed for Europe, to the President and Council of Fort S^t. David or any of the Hon̄ble East India Company's Settlements on that Coast.

    If this Packet should not be delivered before the Grantham's Arrival at Fort S^t. David, then to be received from M^r. Palmer.
22. Patterns of 150 Bales of Broad Cloth, 11 Bales of Long Ells, 2 Bales of Says, 1 Bale of Broglios & samples of 5 Chests of Paper for Fort S^t. David ℘ Grantham in the Box apart.

N.B.—If a perusal of the Ship Grantham's Charterparty should be necessary, recourse must be had to the Supra Cargos for it.

The Pass formerly mentioned cannot yet be sent.

The Lapwing Sailed the 6th. September }
Swallow ... 26th. October } 1749.
Portfield ... 20th. November }

N°. 5.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S^T. DAVID BY THE SHIP YORK.

N°. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort S^t. David Dated the 8th. Decem^r. 1749.

2. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the ships going out in the Year 1749 dated the same Day.
3. Copy Company's General Letter to Fort Marlborough dated also that day ℘ Suffolk.
4. Invoice of the ship York for Fort S^t. David amounting to £36679. 12.–
5. Bill of Loading of D^o.
6. Abstract of the Prince Edward's Invoice for Fort S . David.
7. The Second Bill of Loading of D^o.
8. Company's Indulgence.
9. Account of Coral and Silver Licenced to be shipp'd on board the York for Fort S . David to purchase Diamonds.
10. Manifest of Private Silver Licenced to be shipp'd on board the York for Fort S^t. David signed by M^r. Joseph Micklethwaite.
11. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize Licenced to be shipp'd on board the York for Fort S^t. David.

12. Copy of the York's Victualling Bill—both signed by M^r. Henry Crabb Boulton.

13. Packet directed to the President and Council of the Honble the East India Company at Fort S^t. David or of any other of their Settlements on that Coast ℘ York.

14. Packet Directed to William Lisle Esqr. Commander in Chief of His Majestys ships in the East Indies or to the Commander of any ship of his Squadron that may be first met with, or in case all the ships of said Squadron should be sailed for Europe to the President and Council of Fort S^t. David or any of the East India Company's Settlements on that Coast—If not delivered before that ships Arrival at Fort S^t. David to be received from M^r. Revell &c^a.

15. Patterns of 150 Bales and Two Cases Broad Cloth 11 Bales Long Ells 2 Bales Flannells and 1 Bale Duroys for Fort S^t. David ℘ York.

16. Invoice of Medicines for Fort S^t. David ℘ York. The Value being included in the General Invoice.

Mem^o. The Pass cannot yet be sent.

The Supra Cargoes have a Copy of the York's Charterparty who will produce it if a perusal should be needful.

The Warren having sprung her Foremast put into the Bay of all Saints the 21th. May 1749 and proceeded on her Voyage the 18th. June following.

The Swallow springing her Main Mast bore away for Lisbon and arrived there the 25th. Novem^r. and was to Sail about the 8th. Decem^r 1749.

N°. 6.

List of the Company's Packet to Fort S^t. David by the Ship Portfield.

N°. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort S^t. David Dated the 3^d. November 1749.

2. Copy Company's General Letter to D^o. dated 30th. August 1749 ℘ Lapwing.

3. Copy Company's General Letter to Fort Marlborough dated 4th. October 1749 sent ℘ Swallow.

4. Invoice of the Ship Portfield for Fort S^t. David amount^g. to £ 67156. 9. 8.

5. Bill of Loading of D^o.

6. The Company's Indulgence.

7. List of Ships taken up for, and Arrived from the East Indies in the Year 1749 signed by the Secretary.

8. Assays of Coins received from Fort S^t. David in 1749 signed by M^r. Thomas Hort.

9. Account Coral Bugles and silver licenced to be shipp'd on board the Portfield for Fort S^t. David to purchase Diamonds.

10. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be shipp'd on board the Portfield for Fort S^t. David, signed by M^r. Joseph Micklethwate.

11. Coja Marut Marcars second Bill of Exchange for £ 500— on Coja Gregorio with Letter of Advice thereof.

12. Account of Goods over and wanting from Fort S^t. David by several Ships Arrived in 1748.

13. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be shipp'd on board the Portfield.
14. Copy of the Portfields Victualling Bill—both these signed by M^{r}. Henry Crabb Boulton.
15. Form of an Account Sales as ℘ 30th. Paragraph of the General Letter by the Lapwing.
16. Patterns of 280 Bales of Broad Cloth for Fort S^{t}. David ℘ Portfield.
17. Acts of the 22th. Year of his present Majesty's Reign, both these last in the Box apart.

The Pass mentioned in the General Letter ℘ Lapwing is not yet settled.

N°. 7.

List of the Company's Packet to Fort S^{T}. David by the Ship Norfolk.

N°. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David Dated the 12th. January 1749.

2. Invoice of the Norfolk for Fort S^{t}. David amount^{g}. to £ 67658. 5. 5.
3. Bill of Loading of D^{o}.
4. Copy of Norfolks Charterparty to be forwarded with the Ship.
5. The Company's Indulgence.
6. Account of Silver licensed to be Shipt on the Norfolk for Fort S^{t}. David to purchase Diamonds.
7. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licensed to be Shipped on board the Norfolk.
8. Copy of the Norfolks Victualling Bill both signed by M^{r}. Henry Crabb Boulton and to be forwarded with the Ship.

N°. 8.

List of the Company's Packet to Fort S^{T}. David by the Ship Kent.

N°. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S^{t}. David dated the 12th. January 1749.

2. Invoice of the Kent for Bengal amounting to £ 94761. 16. 1.
3. Bill of Loading of D^{o}. both these Articles to be sent with the Ship to Bengal.
4. Copy of the Kent's Charterparty to be forwarded in like manner.
5. The Company's Indulgence.
6. Account of Coral, Ostrich Feathers and Silver licensed to be Shipp'd on board the Kent for Fort S^{t}. David to purchase Diamonds signed by the Secretary.
7. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licensed to be Shipped on board the Kent for the Coast and Bay.
8. Copy of the Kents Victualling Bill—both signed by M^{r}. Henry Crabb Boulton and to be forwarded with the Ship.

9. Manifest of Private Silver licensed to be Shipped on the Kent for Fort St. David Signed by Mr. Joseph Micklethwaite.

N.B. Messieurs Christian Frederick Schawrz, David Poltzenhagen and George Henry Hutteman Danish Missionarys are permitted to proceed on the Ship Lynn to the Choromandel Coast

The Ships Prince Edward, York, Suffolk — Sailed the 6th. January 1749.
Norfolk, Lynn — 20th. Do.

No. 9.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT St. DAVID BY THE SHIP LONDON.

No. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort St. David dated the 12th. Janry. 1749.

2. Invoice of the London for Bengal amounting to £ 97633-4 —.
3. Bill of Loading of Do.
4. Copy of the London's Charterparty—These three Articles to be sent with the Ship to Bengal.
5. The Companys Indulgence.
6. Account of Coral and Silver licensed to be Shipped on board the London for Fort St. David to purchase Diamonds signed by the Secretary.
7. Manifest of Private Silver licensed to be Shipped on board the London for Fort St. David, signed by Mr. Joseph Micklethwaite.
8. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licensed to be Shipped on board the London for Coast and Bay.
9. Copy of the London's Victualling Bill—Both signed by Mr. Henry Crabb Boulton, and to be sent with the Ship.

N.B. Messieurs Christian Frederick Schaurz, David Poltzenhagen and George Henry Hutteman Danish Missionarys are permited to proceed to the Choromandel Coast on the ship Lynn.

The Ships York, Prince Edward, Suffolk . . . — Sailed the 6 January 1749.
Norfolk . . . , Lynn . . . — 20th. Do.

No. 10.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT St. DAVID BY THE SHIP LYNN.

No. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort St. David dated the 12th. Janry 1749.

2. Abstract of the Norfolk's Invoice for Fort St. David.
3. Second Bill of Loading of Do.
4. Copy of the Lynn's Charterparty, to be forwarded with the Ship.
5. The Companys Indulgence.
6. Account of Coral, Amber and Silver licensed to be Shipped on the Lynn for Fort St. David to purchase Diamonds.
7. Manifest of Private Silver licensed to be Shipped on the Lynn for Fort St. David, signed by Mr. Joseph Micklethwaite.

8. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licensed to be Shipped on board the Lynn for Coast and Bay.
9. Copy of the Ship Lynn's Victualling Bill both signed by Mr. Henry Crabb Boulton and to be sent with the Ship.
10. Invoice of the Lynn for Bengal amounting to £ 97897. 16. 8.
11. Bill of Loading of Do.—both these Articles to be sent with the Ship to Bengal.

No. 11.

List of the Company's Packet to Fort St. David by the Ship Benjamin.

No. 1. Companys General Letter to Fort St. David dated 22th. March 1749.
2. Invoice of the Benjamin for Bengal amounting to £ 91306. 5. 8.
3. Bill of Loading of Do. both these articles to be sent with the Ship to Bengal.
4. Copy of the Benjamin's Charterparty to be forwarded in like manner.
5. Account of Silver Diamonds precious Stones and Coral licensed to be Shipped on board the Benjamin for Fort St. David to purchase Diamonds, signed by the Secretary.
6. Companys Indulgence.
7. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licensed to be Shipped on board the Benjamin for the Coast & Bay.
8. Copy of the Benjamins Victualling Bill—both signed by Mr. Henry Crabb Boulton and to be forwarded with the Ship.

No. 12.

General Letter to Fort St. David dated 30th. August 1749 per the Lapwing.

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Our President and Council at Fort St. David.

1. Since the Departure of the Severn with our Letter of the 29th. of March, We have received your Advices by the Lapwing dated the 16th. of January, as also the Presidents to the Secret Committee.

2. We have enclosed a List of Ships to be Employed this Season for the carrying on our Trade, also an Account of the Arrival and Departure of Shipping since the last was sent.

3. Our Committee of Secrecy for this Year consists of the following Gentlemen Vizt. William Baker Esqr. Richard Chauncy Esqr. and William Mabbott Esqr. whose Orders as[to] Signals and Places of Rendezvous of Ships are punctually to be Observed.

4. As the giving our Settlement at Bengal, an early Supply is of the greatest Consequence to Us, We now return to them the Lapwing Captain Francis Cheyne Commander, with a Consignment of Eighty Chests of Treasure and several other particulars according to an Abstract of her Invoice enclosed.

5. If Captain Cheyne should call at Fort S[t]. David which he is directed to do if he can reach it in all the Month of January you are to Coin the Treasure with the utmost Expedition and Dispatch him away forthwith that he may get to Bengal in time to be sent home the same season with a Cargo of Fine Goods.

6. You are on no pretence whatsoever to detain any part of this supply without replacing it with the same value in Rupees, We the more particularly insist upon it because You have lately by diverting such large sums out of what We intended for Bengal most sensibly Distressed Us in that Important Branch of Our Trade.

7. And you are hereby possitively directed to take all Opportunitys of forwarding as much Treasure to Bengal as can possibly be spared.

8. If you have any Rupees ready, let them be shipt in lieu of an equal Value of the Lapwings Bullion, and if you are apprehensive any Detention may hazard her early Arrival in Bengal, you must send her away immediately with her Silver uncoined.

9. We have returned to India in the Lapwing several Lascars which came to England in that Ship and the Swallow according to the enclosed List, the Surgeon for his care of them is to be paid Ten Shillings a Head for so many as are Landed at your Place, you must observe that this Allowance extends only to Lascars Navigating our own Ships.

10. As our Settlements on the West Coast are in great want of Slaves We have Ordered our Vessell the Swallow Snow Cap[t]. John Bell Commander to Proceed to Madagascar for the Purchase of Two Hundred and fifty, or as many as can be conveniently stowed, and have appointed the said Captain Bell and his Chief Mate M[r]. Thomas Rouchead, or the Commander and Chief Mate for the time being our Agents for that purpose, We have enclosed a Copy of the Instructions given to them, wherein you will observe they are to Act under your Direction.

11. On her Arrival at your place time enough to proceed to the West Coast the same Season, as soon as the Slaves and Ships Company are Refreshed, and the necessary Repairs given to the Ship, you are to give the Commander Orders to proceed accordingly, otherways forward the Slaves by the first safe Conveyances, and in the meantime let the Vessell be usefully employed.

12. As soon as the Ships Company are Refreshed and the Vessell is refitted she is to return again to Madagascar for a Second Cargo of Slaves which are intended for the use of your Settlement to be employed in such a manner as you shall judge will be most usefull to us, in particular We would have those who are fitt for it Trained to the Military Exercise, as We are well assured that the same Slaves may be made usefull to Us both as Soldiers and Labourers.

13. If by the Death of Captain Bell or the Chief Mate in the first Voyage from Madagascar their Stations should be filled up by incapable Persons you are to set such aside and Appoint proper Ones in their room.

14. When the Swallows Slaving Voyage is finished, She is to have an early Dispatch from your place or Bengal with [a] Cargo of Fine Goods.

15. You are to Supply him with Men, Stores and such Assistance as the Commander shall apply for and you shall think necessary.

16. You are to pay to our said Agents Twenty Shillings a Head for so many Slaves as shall be Delivered to You alive to be divided between them in the following Proportions Viz. Two thirds to the Commander and One third to the Chief Mate.

17. And the Surgeon must likewise be paid Five Shillings a Head for so many of the Slaves as shall be Delivered alive.

18. The Shippers of Foreign Silver and Coral Consigned to your place on the Lapwing have agreed in case she proceeds directly to Bengal that it may be forwarded from thence to Fort S[t]. David on the said Ship or any other of the

Company's European Ships at the risque of the said Shippers, but without any further Charge to them, and We shall give the necessary Directions for that purpose to the President and Council of Bengal.

19. The Orders We gave last Season with regard to Dispatching home the Ships at the high Freight & Demorage must be observed this if any still remain on your hands.

20. There being Three or more Ships now fitting out at Leghorn destined as We are well assured to the East Indies to Open and Carry on a Trade from that Place, and as there is great reason to believe many English Officers, Sailors and Others will engage in that Service; in Order to prevent the mischievous consequences that may attend the same We have Petitioned His Majesty to give Orders to his Commanders to Visit such Ships, and to Arrest and bring to Great Britain all such of His Majestys as shall be found on board them agreeable to the several Acts of Parliament for that purpose in the 5th. and 9th. Years of the Reign of George the 1st. and the 5th. 13th. and 20th. of His present Majesty. You are therefore to Apply to the Commanders of His Majestys Ships to put the said Acts in Execution, and as much as possible be Assisting therein yourselves.

21. Coja Marut Marcar an Armenian Merchant who has Resided under our Protection at Calcutta for several Years having Represented to Us that in the Course of his Voyage between Persia and Madrass his Ship and Cargo was Seized at Callicut in the Year 1747 by the Portugueze and Condemned at Goa, notwithstanding he produced to them a Fort St. George Pass, His Majesty upon his, and our humble Petition has been pleased to Order his Minister at the Court of Portugal to Assert the Rights of His Majestys Subjects and such Others as Reside under our Protection to a Free and uninterrupted Trade in the Indian Seas, and so far to [espouse] the Cause of the said Marut Marcar that his Ship and Cargo so unjustly Condemned may be restored, or a suitable satisfaction made him for the same.

22. And the better to enable him to prosecute the said Affair at the Court of Portugal, for which place he lately set out We have Lent him the Sum of Five hundred Pounds for which he has given us four Bills of Exchange of the same Tenour and Date on Michael Gregory Merchant at Fort St. David Payable at Sixty days Sight to Our President of that place for the time being or his Order Dated 12th. July 1749. We have sent by this Ship the First Bill with his Letter of Advice, you must take care to receive the same and carry it to our Credit.

23. As We find in the Proceedings at Goa some Objections were started against the Fort St. George Pass aforesaid, although We do not admit them to be Material, yet to obviate as much as in us lies all Difficultys in future, We have enclosed the proper Form of a Pass to be given to all such Persons as have a Right to our Protection.

24. From the Receipt of this Letter the rate of Exchange for Money paid into our Cash for Bills and Certificates is to be on the footing it was before Our Orders of the 10th. January 1745. [At] Seven Shillings and Eight pence a Pagoda to Covenant Servants and such Persons as are entitled to Bills at that Rate, and all Others Seven Shillings and four pence.

25. As We cannot send you by this Ship a List of the Investment to be made the Ensuing Season, We can only at present recommend it to you to use your utmost diligence procuring as large a Quantity of Goods as possible—particularly fine Muslins, as since the Prohibition of Camb[ric] there is a very great Demand for them, and for this purpose intend to Dispatch the China Ships very early that they may first call at Fort S . David with a plentiful Supply of Treasure, Goods and stores.

26. You must send Us a few Bales of Succatums such as [we] used formerly to receive from Fort S . George.

27. Several Books from the Subordinates have been omitted to be sent home, particularly from Vizagapatam which must be forwarded by the next Conveyance, and more care must [be] taken that all Books, Accounts &ca. are for the future regular[ly] brought up, and constantly sent Us every season.

28. As Captâin Delavaux's Behaviour has been very unsatisfactory, We have thought proper to discharge him from Our Service, and you are hereby ordered to give him notice to proceed home on one of the first Ships.

29. A state of the Case with regard to several Bonds given by the late President and Council of Fort St. George together with the Opinion of Council thereon having been laid before a General Court on the 21th. of June last, they could come to no Resolution 'till further and more satisfactory Advices were received relating to them, You must therefore punctually obey the Orders We gave you last Season with regard to all the Money Transactions at Fort St. George, that We may be able to give the General Court the Satisfaction they expect.

30. You must Transmit us every Season seperately in the Packet a Full and Exact Account of the Sales of all our Goods at your Settlement whether European or Indian, according to the method of our Sales in England, for which purpose We have enclosed a proper Form, Observing that Goods Invoiced separately must be separately Lotted.

31. It is with great difficulty and uncertainty We can collect from your Books the Appointments of our several Servants, you are therefore for our Information hereby directed to cause a List to be drawn out of our Covenant Servants, and from the Governour to the Writer distinguish their Yearly Salary, Allowances for Dyet, Pallankeen, Servants &ca. of each, as well as all Allowances annexed by way of Gratuity or otherways to particular Posts.

32. The like must be done with regard to the Military from the Commander to the Private Centinell, not inserting however the name of each soldier.

33. As also of all other Persons Employed in the several branches of Our Business, who receive any Pay or Allowances from the Company, distinguishing their several Employments.

34. All which Accounts drawn out in a concise and methodical manner are to be sent Us by the first Opportunity, and continued Annually.

35. In case the French Capuchins of the Province of Tourain should pretend to any Right of Presentation of Padres to the Romish Church at Madrass, you are to stop such pretence as Our Governours have always done, they having not the least shadow of a right to it, and upon any vacancy you are to Appoint the Persons who are to Officiate there.

36. Although We have so often represented to you the great Consequence of sending by every Conveyance a full and clear Account of the value of our Estate under your management as We are directed by the 29th. By Law Annually in the Month of June to cause a General State of the Companys Affairs to be drawn out, yet many Opportunitys have been omitted, and either through misapprehending Our Orders, Negligence or inattention, those which have been sent are very defective, and are far from Answering the purpose, in stating there[fore] an Account of the Quick Stock, you are to observe and punctually comply with the following Directions, as It will admit of no excuse to the contrary, vizt.

FORT ST. DAVID PRESIDENCY, is

To be Debted	To be Credited
For the Ballance of your Cash.	For all Debts owing by the Company, distinguishing under different Heads the Nature of them, whether
For Bullion remaining according to the Real value.	For Money borrowed at Interest [and] the Interest due thereon
For Goods & Stores remaining for Sale to be valued as the last Sold.	For Goods delivered in by the [Merchants] and valued in the Debit of this Acco[unt] but not paid for, Or
For Goods remaining in the Warehouse intended for Europe, or any part of India valuing them at the real Cost.	For Money owing on any other Account whatsoever.
For Goods & Stores remaining for Use.	
For Good Debts owing to the Company.	

37. The same Method is to be Observed in the Accounts of the several Subordinates, and under their respective Heads, to be inserted in the above Account.

38. The Ballance is the Nett Value of the Stock in Trade or as it is generally called Quick Stock at Fort S^t^. David Presidency.

39. The Dead Stock, consisting of Forts, Buildings, Wor[ks] and their Appurtenances, is to have no place in this Account.

40. If it shall happen that at or near the Close of the Account, any Money or Goods are received from, or sent [to] any part of India a proper Remark must be made at the bottom of the name of the Ship, and the value of such [Money] or Goods, and whether included in this Account.

41. It must be forwarded to Us by every Conveyance, but that by the last Ship in particular must be as Correct as possible.

42. If our Servants at the Subordinates do not send you their Accounts in time, you must supply the same by way of Estimate in the best manner you can, but at the same time let them know we shall highly Resent their Negligence.

43. The enclosed Packets to our Governour and Council of Bombay being of great Consequence, you are to forward the same as soon as possible by the first good Conveyance, both by Land & Sea. We are

Your loving Friends,

WM. BAKER.
W. MABBOTT.
J. RAYMOND.
M. IMPEY.
CHA. CUTTS.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.
J. WINTER.
WILLM. RIDER.
ABEL FONNEREAU.
STEPHEN LAW.
NICHS. LINWOOD.
JOHN HOPE.
R. BOOTLE.
JOHN PAYNE.
CHAS. GOUGH.

LONDON 30TH. AUGUST 1749.

No. 13.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. DAVID, DATED 3d. NOVEMBER 1749, PER THE PORTFIELD.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 53, pp. 29–36.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. DAVID.

1. We writ to you by the Lapwing under date of the 30th. of August, and sent a Duplicate of the same Letter dated the 4th. of October by the Swallow, the first proceeded directly on her Voyage from the Downes the 6th. of September, and the other from Spithead the 26th. October.

2. To our very great Pleasure (and as it was so late in the Season almost unexpectedly) arrived about the middle of last Month the Godolphin from the West Coast, the Porto Bello from your Settlement, and the Bombay Castle from Bengal.

3. This goes by the Ship Portfield Captn. Carteret Le Geyt Commander who is under our Orders to proceed directly to Fort St. David to deliver the Treasure and Goods We have Consigned to you, according to the enclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading.

4. You will observe some Stores mentioned in the said Invoice, which the Swallow could not take in, being part of her Madagascar Cargo, you must therefore on the Swallows Arrival send them on board, and in the mean time, order the Chests of small Arms to be opened, and particular Care taken that they are kept free from Rust.

5. On the Arrival of the Portfield, you must with the utmost expedition, take out the Cargo Consigned to you, and at furthest within ten Days after her Arrival, give the Commander Orders to proceed directly to Benjar Massin on the Island of Borneo, and follow all such Orders as he shall receive from Mess[rs]. Mordecai Walker, Francis Muriell and James Waller, whom We have appointed our Supra Cargos of the said Ship, for his future Procedure, under whose directions he is to be, immediately on his departure from Fort S[t]. David.

6. Our View in sending the Portfield to Benjar, is not only to purchase a Cargo a Pepper for the China Market, but also to keep up and assert our Right to a Free and uninterrupted Trade to that Place, which has been lately obstructed by the Chicanery and Arbitrary Behaviour of the Dutch, you are therefore to communicate to our said Supra Cargos, all the Intelligence you are Masters of relating to that Place, particularly what Success the Delawar met with, and in general give them all possible assistance, as the Success of the Voyage greatly depends, upon their having a thorough information of the scituation of Affairs there.

7. You are to provide and send aboard to our said Supra Cargos Assistance, a person well skilled in the Mallay Language.

8. We repeat the Directions We have given by every Conveyance, because We positively insist upon a strict observation of them, That no more of the Treasure by this, or any other Ship, be detained, than what you absolutely want, the rest being to be Coined and forwarded to Bengal, by the first good Conveyances, as the giving that Settlement, a full and early Supply is the principal Object in our present View.

9. The four China Ships will very soon follow this, likewise with several Consignments of Treasure and Goods, you are therefore to hold yourselves in readiness to give them a quick dispatch, that no time may be lost in the prosecution of their Voyage.

10. If you can Load any Goods on them proper for the Canton Market, without hazarding their Passage, it will be an acceptable Piece of Service to Us, We give you this early Notice, that you may be making Provision accordingly, and We shall give Orders to the Supra Cargos, to pay the amount, out of the Bullion Consigned to them.

11. Though We have no Intention at present to give you our Thoughts, upon the Advices We have received from you this Season, yet We cannot help observing, upon your being so very short in most of them, your omiting to write by many Conveyances, and detaining your Books and Papers of Consequence for the last Ship, which, had she not most unexpectedly Arrived, must have kept Us almost in the dark for a whole Season, all which, to say no worse of it has a great appearance of Négligence.

12. As has likewise your sending the Delawar away to Borneo, without supplying the Command[r]. with some Instructions for his Conduct, in a Voyage of such a Critical Nature deprived as he was of his Supra Cargos.

13. We have appointed Benjamin Robins Esqr. Engineer General of all our Settlements in India, a Gentleman eminently skilled in his profession, who will, with several Assistants, take his Passage on one of the first Ships, after the departure of this, You are therefore hereby positively directed, entirely to put a stop to all further procedure in the Fortifications and Works at Fort S[t]. David, untill his Arrival or untill you hear further from Us on that Subject.

14. Presuming that Madrass is restored to Us, We direct on sight hereof, that you appoint a Council to consist of Five Persons, for the Management of our Affairs at that Settlement, of which M[r]. Richard Prince is to be Chief, M[r]. Joseph Fowke

Second and the other Stations to be filled by our Covenant Servants, according to their standing, unless their Behaviour and Circumstances may render them unfit for the same.

15. We likewise direct that such a Number of Covenant Servants be sent to their Assistance, as may be necessary for carrying on the Business, as also half the Military Forces upon your Establishment, under the Command of a proper Officer.

16. And in order to recall the Trading People, and others the late Inhabitants of Madrass, and Encourage them to settle there again, you are hereby Authorized, to assure them and all others who may have an Inclination to reside there, that We will to the Utmost Protect and Defend them, and that they shall enjoy all their Rights and Privileges in as full a manner as the Inhabitants did, before the unfortunate Capture of the Place by the French, of which you are to give General Notice in the several Languages, and affix the same at all proper Publick Places.

17. No Building Publick or Private, either in the White or Black Town at Madrass, are to be Erected or restored untill the Arrival of Mr. Robins our Engineer, who will proceed on one of the first Ships, or untill you hear further from Us. We are

Your Loving Friends,

London 3D. Novemr. 1749.

Wm. Mabbott. — Wm. Baker.
Cha: Cutts. — Rd. Chauncy.
Abel Fonnereau. — J. Raymond.
R. Bootle. — John Payne.
Nichs. Linwood. — R. Drake.
John Thornton. — J. Winter.
Chas. Gough. — P. Godfrey.
John Hope. — Wm. Willy.
Stephen Law.

No. 14.

General Letter to Fort St. David dated 8th, December 1749, per the Grantham

[*Public Despatches from England*, *Vol. 53*, *pp. 37–53*].

Our President and Council
at Fort St. David.

1. Our last went by the Portfield bearing date the 3d. of November a Copy of which comes in the Packet by the Ship Grantham.

2. We shall by this Conveyance under the usual heads give the necessary directions for the Transaction of Affairs under your Management, and at the same time reply to and make such Observations as occur to Us upon a Perusal of your Addresses of the 16th. January by the Lapwing and the 22t. of February by the Porto Bello, and

First of Shipping.

3. On these Ships the Prince Edward Capt. Robert Haldane Commander the Duke of Cumberland Capt. Robert Osborne, the Grantham Capt. Walter Wilson, and the York Capt. Edward Ward, We have Consigned to you a large Quantity of Bullion, Merchandize and Stores for the particulars of which We refer to the Invoices and Bills of Lading in the respective Packets.

4. You are to use the utmost Dispatch in delivering them and immediately give the Commanders Orders to make the best of their way to Canton in China and follow all such Orders as they shall receive for their future Conduct from the Supra Cargoes We have appointed to take charge of the said Ships who are vizt.

5. For the Prince Edward and Duke of Cumberland Mess[rs]. John Misenor Richard Wood, Hillary Torriano, Robert Mackett and Thomas Smith, and for the Ships Grantham and York Mess[rs]. Henry Palmer, Henry Revell, Stephen Devisme, John Hull and Mann Horner to whom you are to give all necessary Advice and Assistance.

6. If you can without loss of time load any Goods on the said Ships proper for the Canton Market agreable to the Intimation in Our Advices by the Portfield it will be very acceptable to Us, and in such case the Supra Cargoes have Our Orders to pay the Amount of such Goods out of the Bullion Consigned to them, but you are on no pretence to detain them longer than the Supra Cargoes shall approve of.

7. We have given proper directions to Our Supra Cargoes to take charge of any Casual Ships that may arrive at Canton from Our several Settlements in India, and shall continue such Orders Annually of which We give you notice that in case of being overburthened with Tonnage you may Consign them to such Supra Cargoes as We have appointed to take Charge of them, with suitable Cargoes for the Canton Market.

8. As We propose to Dispatch the Ships London, Kent, Lynn and Norfolk Consigned to the Coast and Bay the beginning of next Month you may expect to see them soon after the aforesaid China Ships.

9. All Our Ships this Season carry out whole Kintlage in Iron therefore you will not be obliged by Charterparty to Load any Salt Petre unless you are under a necessity of doing it for want of other Goods, in which case you are to load no more than the Charterparty Tonnage.

10. You are to load home as many ships as you possibly can with their Charterparty Tonnage, observing that the Ships which have been longest in India are always to be the first dispatched; but if you have any surplus Tonnage it must be laden on the latter ships at half freight.

11. We have laden on the Swallow as Ships Stock an half Chest of Treasure, and the Commander has Directions to pay what remains of it into Our Cash at the last Settlement he shall be dispatched from or in failure thereof at S[t]. Helena, and in case it is paid at Fort S[t]. David duly advise Us of the same, and give him a receipt for what shall be so paid in.

12. It was recommended to Admiral Boscawen on his departure from England to dismiss as early as possible after his Arrival on the Coast of Choromandel such of the Companys ships as were not further absolutely necessary to him, and We are thoroughly persuaded had you done your duty by representing to him the excessive Expence We stood at by his detention of so many, after the Expedition against Pondicherry was at an end, he would have discharged at least Two more than he did which in some measure would have Alleviated that Heavy Article of Demorage and We been further Benefitted by a considerable Quantity of Pepper which lay ready for them on the Mallabar Coast.

13. It was with great difficulty the Porto Bello saved her Passage about the Cape owing only as We are very well assured to your detaining her near a Month for your Books and Papers which were not ready and which ought and might have been sent by the Lapwing this Piece of Negligence is very dear to Us, and We mention it that you may be more attentive to Our Interest for the future.

14. Our own Ship the Dolphin Captain George Newton Commander has never been heard off since her Departure from Spithead in March 1747/8 there is great reason therefore to apprehend she Perished at Sea.

15. The Captures made by his Majestys Ship the Medways Prize, as likewise by Captain Meard of the Benjamin and Cap[t]. Brown of the Bombay Castle have greatly embarrassed Our Affairs in Bengal, the Government insisting upon Our making satisfaction to the Owners who they alledge are the Subjects of the great Mogul, with regard to Our own ships at least you should have more peremptorily insisted upon the Captors depositing the Produce of their Prizes in Our Cash to

abide the Issue of a Tryal in England as to the Legality of them, and this you the rather ought to have done as it appears you were apprehensive Our Trade would be obstructed on this Account.

16. You have not mentioned in your Letters the several sums of Money advanced the Commanders for the use of their Ships which must never be Ommitted for the future.

17. Neither have you taken Notice in your Letters of the Money paid to several Commanders for the Maintenance of the Military aboard their ships, which upon a Perusal of your Consultations appears to be charged at extravagant Rates, viz[t]. to Cap[t]. Brown, after the Rate of Eighteen pence a day for each Man, and to Captains Weston and Baron Eight Fanams a day for Common Soldiers and Twelve for Officers, and which We observe was paid, to them upon their barely asserting the Detachments stood them in those Sums, if you could not bring them to more reasonable terms the adjustments of those Accounts should have been referred home; nor does it any where appear whether the Detachments on Board those Ships belonged to His Majesty or Us, if they were his Majestys it ought to have been Certifyed that We might have been Enabled to have made good Our Demand on the Government for Repayment.

18. You must be particularly careful and exact in adjusting all Accounts of Damage and Short Delivery of the Cargoes of Our several Ships, and oblige the Commanders to pay for the same according to Charterparty, you are to explain the Nature of such Damage and short Delivery, the Condition of the Package, and add such Observations thereto as will enable Us to Judge whether the Owners are Entitled to any equitable Relief, you are to endorse the same on the Bills of Lading and fully advise Us in your Letters of all Circumstances.

19. And as there generally appears a deficiency in the Weight of Lead, Iron, Copper aud Elephants Teeth which may in part be occasioned by the different manner of Weighing the same in England and India, We have thought it proper to acquaint you with the Method used here, whereby you may be able to form a Judgment whether there is any real deficiency or not, viz[t]. Lead about 15 at a draft, and no less Weights than $\overset{lb}{4}$. are used, but no draft allowed. Iron about 5 at a draft, weighing with no less Weights than $\overset{lb}{2}$, and for draft $\overset{lb}{2}$. are allowed. Copper and Elephants Teeth about 5 at a draft, weighing very near and One Pound is allowed for a draft.

20. You should have insisted upon the Commanders paying for the Gunny Bags they were supplied with, to put their Ballast in, as there could be no reason for disputing whether it was a charge on Us or the Owners.

SECONDLY OF EUROPE GOODS, OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF AT ANOTHER.

21. We have sent on these ships a large Quantity of Bullion intended solely for Bengal, it must be therefore Coined with the utmost Dispatch and forwarded with as much more as you can possibly spare by every safe and convenient opportunity, the earlier the better.

22. And here We cannot help observing how greatly you have distressed Our Affairs in Bengal by stopping such large Sums intended solely for the use of that Settlement contrary to Our repeated and express Orders.

23. By the Dollars which We have received from you in the Porto Bello's Packet, We find Linga Chitta's Assay to be right, and whereas Dollars are usually two penny weights and a half worse than the English Standard these are four penny weights worse, but We must observe in assaying the Rupees Coined in February 1748/9 likewise received by the said Conveyance there has been a debasement in that Coinage, for whereas Our Rupees ought to be four Penny Weights and a half better than English Standard, these are only two penny weight and a half better, as will appear by Our Accountants Remarks herewith

sent you, We therefore positively direct that for the future the strictest care be taken to keep the Coinage both of the Gold and Silver to the due fineness, that the Credit of Our Mint may be preserved.

24. As very good Gunpowder is made at Bombay, you must for the future be supplyed from thence both for the use of the Settlements on your Coast and for Bencoolen whenever therefore you are in want of that article application must be made to the President and Council of Bombay accordingly.

25. From the Receipt of this Letter you are to make no Contracts for or Purchases of Tea notwithstanding any former Orders We may have given.

26. We observe that upon your Contracting for the Investment it was part of the Agreement with the Merchants that they should be indulged with Broad Cloth as was usual at Madras, but that afterwards upon their desiring to be excused from taking it at the Companys alledged fixed Price of Thirty ℔ Cent on Invoice it was disposed of to Linga Chittee on those terms, We find upon turning back to former directions to Fort St. George that the Method of Selling Goods by a fixed Price was so far from being approved of, that it was Connived at only from time to time to Enable the Merchants who were largely Indebted to the Company to discharge their Ballances and as We have experienced the great advantage of Publick Sales both in Bengal and at Bombay, We therefore positively direct that not only Woollen but all other Sorts of Goods and Stores whatsoever be put up to Auction the same Season they arrive, and you are to Lott them in such a manner as that each Species be distinct and not intermixed with any other, and in order to obtain the best price the Market will afford without subjecting any Species of Goods to be Engrossed, We further direct that no Lott exceed in Quantity Four Bales of Broad Cloth or Three Bales of Perpets, and that of all other Sorts of Goods no greater Quantity be put up in One Lott than to the Value of Two Hundred Pounds Sterling Invoice Cost. The Price you are to put them up at and under which they are not to be Sold must be by adding Fifteen ℔ Cent to the Invoice Price, and whoever bids most upon that Price is to be declared the Buyer. Notice in the several Languages must be given and fixed up in the most Publick Places at least a Month, but as much longer as you can conveniently before the day of Sale, and in the mean time the Goods are to be exposed to Publick View and the Buyers acquainted with the following terms vizt.

First, The Goods shall be exposed to View from the time that Notice is given to the day of Sale Sorted in Lots as they are to be put up.

Secondly the Purchaser of any Goods shall be allowed Twelve Months time to clear them or any Parcel of them out of the Warehouse without paying any Rent or Allowance for Warehouse Room.

Thirdly the Buyer on paying the Amount of his Goods or any Parcel thereof shall have such Goods or Parcell delivered to him, and no Goods whatever to be delivered till the Money is actually paid.

Fourthly an Allowance or Discount shall be made to the Buyer of Nine Pagodas on every One hundred Pagodas paid in before the expiration of Six Months from the day of the Commencement of the Sale, and an Allowance in like manner shall be made of only Three Pagodas in every One hundred paid in after Six Months and before the expiration of Twelve Months from the Commencement of the Sale aforesaid.

Fifthly after the expiration of twelve Months if any Goods remain, not paid for and Cleared according to the Conditions aforesaid, such Goods shall be put up to Publick Auction, and Sold for ready Money and if any Loss is occasioned thereby the prior purchaser shall be obliged to make good the same.

Sixthly If any Person shall fail to make Payment within Twelve Months as aforesaid for any Goods bought by him he shall not be permitted to be a Buyer at any future Sale until he has made full Satisfaction for such his Nonpayment.

Seventhly All Persons whatsoever without distinction shall be free to Purchase at the Companys Auction on the terms abovewritten.

27. The said Terms together with a particular Account of the Sale of every Lot must be Entered on Consultation and a Separate Account thereof forwarded in the Packets according to the Forms transmitted you this Season by the Lapwing, Swallow and Portfield.

28. These Regulations for the Sale of Our Goods We will by no means dispence with a Breach of.

29. We are surprized at the great deficiencys of Grain received by several Ships from Bengal, and although Our Servants there may have been to blame in sending it dusty and not have taken due care to prevent Pilferage on Shipping, yet We are apprehensive there has been a like want of care at your Settlement in Landing it, which for the future in such kind of Cargoes must be prevented by a more particular attention.

THIRDLY OF INVESTMENTS.

30. The small Returns made for the vast Sums of Money which have been sunk at Fort S^t. David has most sensibly affected Us, and the more so as it is has likewise so greatly influenced the Bengal Investment, your utmost Care and Application is therefore now absolutely necessary and must be exerted in this Important Branch of Our Business.

31. And for that purpose the greatest Attention must be had to the Orders and Directions in the enclosed List of Investment by procuring the several Goods therein mentioned at the most reasonable Rates.

32. By your Consultations it does not appear who were the Merchants you contracted with for the Long Cloths Sallampores and Romalls in 1748, nor does it appear that they were tyed down to the Delivery of any precise Quantity of those Goods, or to any fixed time, We suppose they are the same Persons who in your subsequent Consultations you call Brokers when you advanced Two Pagodas a Corge on the Investment more than at first was agreed upon, your coming so readily into it the very day they made their application appears too precipitate and makes Us apprehensive that you relyed more upon their Veracity, than upon necessary enquirys, and We are the rather induced to be of this Opinion as you gave them the Price they asked on agreeing for the Investment without hesitation.

33. For the future you must give Publick Notice of the day you intend to treat for the Investment, you are then to receive Proposals in Writing, from all Persons indifferently of the Terms, Quantitys and Times they will engage to deliver the several Species of Goods at; all which are to be Enter'd distinctly on your Consultations together with the particular reasons why you reject or accept each particular persons proposals, such Persons with whom you agree are to Enter into Obligations under a Penalty and give Security for the Performance of their Agreement.

34. A French Ship is lately arrived from Pondicherry with a Rich Cargo of Coast Goods another is Expected; this shows want of Care in getting proper Intelligence since it appears by M^r. Floyers Letter to the Secret Committee of the 20th of February that he had not then heard that the French had sett about making any Investment.

35. It is with Pleasure We observe the Old Merchants have discharged their Ballances, and could Wish the same might be said of the Debts due from the Madras Merchants, the recovering of which must be sett about with the greatest Diligence.

36. We must acquiesce with the reasons that induced you to send Brown Cloth, but as We hope they will not again occur you must for the future take particular care to have all your Cloth Whiten'd before you Ship it.

FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

37. You have been too lavish of Our Money in making such extravagant Presents to Nazir Jing and the Great Men about him amounting to no less than Twenty thousand five hundred and eighteen Pagodas, four Fanams and Seventy Seven Cash, more than adequate to any Services We have received or may expect

from them, as experience has taught Us very little Confidence can be placed in any Indian Powers, you must Act with more Frugality and Caution in this respect for the future.

38. The present Tranquillity of the Country We hope will give you an opportunity of encreasing Our Investments and transacting the Various Branches of Our Mercantile Affairs with a greater Attention than We are sorry to say you have hitherto shewn.

39. It appears upon your Consultations of the 4th. of July 1748 that Mr. Andrews at Ganjam was in the Year 1746 ill used by the Nabob and Money forced from him, and he refers to Mr. Morse for setting that Affair in a clear Light, you have Omitted to take any Notice of this Transaction in your Advices, We therefore direct that you fully state this Fact in your next, what the Money so Extorted amounted to, and whether any of it is recovered.

40. As We make no doubt of your being in Possession of the Fort St. George Books and Papers, We direct that you Collect together all the Phirmaunds and Grants you can find from the several Moguls, Nabobs and their Ministers with regard to all Our Privileges in India and Our Rights and Titles to Our several Settlements on the Choromandell Coast, you are to get them Translated by able hands and fairly Copyed in a Book which must be forwarded to Us as soon as it can possibly be compleated.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

41. We acquainted you by the Portfield that We had appointed Benjamin Robins Esqr. Our Engineer General, he with his Assistants take their Passage on the Grantham, and by this Conveyance, We have Communicated to You Our Intentions and Directions in a separate Letter, dated this day, with regard to the Fortifications and Works at Our Settlements on the Choromandell Coast to which We particularly refer you.

42. The immense Sums of Money which appear by your Accounts to have been expended on the Fortifications and Works at Fort St. David and as We are well assured very injudiciously, together with the other excessive Expences of your Settlement have really surprized Us, We make all reasonable Allowances for the particularity of your Situation, but at the same time We are confident had you been as attentive to Our Interest as you ought to have been, they could not so much have exceeded all reasonable Bounds.

43. We observe you granted your Bound Renters Petition for a Renewal of his Lease, without receiving Proposals from any Competitor although Mr. Floyer acquainted you that he had several Offers made to him, from other Persons whose Proposals you ought to have had before the Board, We positively direct that for the future all Farms, Grants and Licences be disposed of to the highest Bidder before the President and Council, that Publick Notice be given thereof a convenient time before they are put up and Security taken for the Performance of every such Contract.

44. We observe by your Consultations of the 31th. October 1748 that you accepted and agreed to Proposals of Peter Denker for keeping a Butchers Stall at Cuddalore, by which it appears that he was to have the Sole supplying of the Troops in Garrison there with Beef and Pork at One and a half small Fanams a pound and that you advanced him Five hundred Pagodas to carry his Proposal into Execution, Upon this We observe that the confining the Soldiery or any others whatsoever to buy Provisions with their own Money of any One particular Person is very unjust and oppressive, and the more so as that Price is considerably higher than what the same Denker claims as due to him for supplying the Millitary at Fort St. George in 1746, and the making use of Our Money for this purpose is very injurious to the Company, We direct that you call in the said Loan of Five hundred Pagodas, if it is not already paid and that for the future you encourage a Free and Open Market for the Sale of all kinds of Provisions.

45. The Madagascar Slaves you will receive by the Swallow are to be employed on the Fortifications and Works as well as trained up in the Military.

SIXTHLY OF COVENANT SERVANTS, MILLITARY AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

46. We are highly displeased with Mr. Floyer for disobeying the Secret Committees express Orders with regard to Collecting and sending home the Proofs in support of what Our late and present Servants had wrote concerning the Conduct of Captain Peyton, by suffering them to remain in the hands of Mr. Morse and be by him transmitted to Mr. Monson, whereas Mr. Floyer should have demanded and Mr. Morse have delivered up those as well as all other Books and Papers in his Possession any way relative to the Company, and We observe by Mr. Floyers Letter to the Secret Committee that what Mr. Morse has so transmitted are only Copys which can be of no use as Evidence instead of Originals which were ordered.

47. If Mr. Morse is not in consequence of Our Orders last Season come away, We direct that he be sent home on the first ship that Sails after the receipt of this.

48. We shall call Mr. Harrison to Account for the Two Thousand Pagodas owing by him to the Church Stock at Madras.

49. Notwithstanding We expressly required Mr. Lennox to return home, you have to Our great Surprize disregarded the same by permitting him to continue in India. We will have Our Orders Obeyed and therefore, We positively direct that he proceed to England on the first Ship.

50. We expect that you have Regulated the Millitary and Artillery exactly upon the Plan sent you by the Pelham and We direct that you make no Variation therefrom in point of Pay or by encrease of Officers without Our express leave, and that you will be particularly careful to prevent false Musters which We are well assured had been practiced very much to Our Prejudice before Major Lawrences Arrival.

51. We cannot admit of your reasons for keeping up the Troop of Hor[se] and therefore expect to hear Our Orders for Disbanding them have long ago been complyed with, and that We have been in some degree reimbursed by the Sale of the Horse and Furniture, the extravagant Expences of raising and maintaining the said Troop.

52. For the future the Muster Rolls of each Company of the Millitary and the Artillery Company must be Annually returned by two Conveyances in separate Sheets, inserting therein a List Signed by the proper Officer of the Men, Dead Run and Discharged since the last was sent particularly writing against their Names when and where.

53. We shall consider of the Services of Captain James Cope for acting as Judge Advocate as he alledges in a Memorial now before Us when the same is properly Certifyed by you, in the mean time We direct if that Office is not already laid aside, that it be so immediately on receipt of this.

54. We particularly recommend it to Major Lawrence to give Us an Account of the Ability and Behaviour of the several Officers on your Establishment.

55. Your whole Transaction with Shawmere has been very irregular and highly displeasing to Us as you have in a collusive manner disobeyed Our express Orders not to discharge any of the Fort St. George Debts without Our leave, by agreeing to allow the Bond he gave for Eight thousand five hundred and eighty Rupees, one quarter, thirty six raes to the President and Council of Bombay as part of Payment of what was alledged to be owing from Us to his Father by Bonds under the hands of the late President and Council of Fort St. George and which Bonds it does not appear had ever been produced to you, or have you ever advised Us there were such Bonds in being.

56. The like Collusion appears to Us in some other Instances—particularly in advancing Twelve hundred Pagodas to John Gray and Five hundred Pagodas to Peter Dencker, under the Pretence of Assisting them in their several trades.

57. You seem to have given yourselves very little trouble in collecting an Account of the Madras Claims upon Us, contenting yourselves with noting them only on Consultation when demanded without making any Enquiry of such Persons, as it was reasonable to suppose, could give you a satisfactory Account of them, this

is the most favorable construction We can make for the lateness of Mr. Morses Claim of Thirty Thousand Pagodas the 18th. February last but just before the Porto Bello sailed whereas Publick Notice had been given for all Claims of this kind to be brought in so long before as the preceeding April.

58. We have been already so full in Our Directions with regard to your giving Us a full and clear Account of the Madras claims that We shall only refer you to them and let you know that We expect they will be punctually complyed with.

59. We observe in your Consultations of the 30th. November that the Steward paid in the Ballance of his Account amounting to Twenty One thousand Nine hundred Sixty five Pagodas, fifteen Fanams and thirty three Cash, which shews great carelessness at least in advancing so large a sum more than he had occasion for.

60. We had not a Line from you by the True Briton although she was partly Loaded at your place, more care must be taken for the future to send Duplicates of your Advices at least by every conveyance that offers.

61. You have not mentioned in your Advices by the Porto Bello the dates of the several Bills drawn upon Us, which must never be omitted for the future.

62. A Bill of Exchange drawn by you under date of the 16th. Augst. 1748 for Four thousand two hundred fifty two pagodas, twenty five fanams and Sixty Cash at eight Shillings ℔ Pagoda payable to the order of Charles Floyer Esqr. and Mr. John Haman was Tender'd to Us and paid according to the Tenour of it, but upon having recourse to your Advices by the Porto Bello it appears that no more was paid into Cash than Four thousand two hundred forty six Pagodas, twenty one fanams and Thirty Cash, and it further appearing that the Rate of the Exchange is carelessly or designedly omitted, We therefore direct that you recover of Mr. Floyer the difference between the said Two Sums, and as there was no Authority for drawing the said Bill for a higher Exchange than seven shillings and eight pence a pagoda, We likewise further direct and positively insist upon it that you recover of Mr. Floyer the fourpence a pagoda We have been obliged to pay in Our wrong.

63. The Account of Remains of Stores received by the Porto Bello is drawn out in a very confused and imperfect manner for Instance. The Number and Weight of the Iron and Brass Ordnance, Shott & Shells are only mentioned in the Gross without distinguishing the nature of each and entered in no order or under their proper heads; the different sorts of Cordage and Lines are not particularized; Most part of the Naval Stores are under the Head of Gunners Stores and defective with regard to distinguishing the particulars—And the Anchors not uniformly kept in the same Weights some being in the Indian and some in Dutch pounds.

64. We therefore direct for the future that in the Account of Remains the several Articles be ranged under distinct heads such as Guns,—Garrison Stores,—Anchors,—Grapnells,—Cordage—Ironmongers Ware &ca. that the several Sorts, Sizes, Weights and Natures of each Article be particularly distinguished and the English Weights of all Europe Stores inserted.

65. We further direct that the said Account of Remains lay before you when you are drawing out your Indent which must be done in the same Method and framed to Correspond in all respects with the said Account of Remains.

66. And the better to explain Our Meaning We have transmitted you a proper Form which must be strictly observed in Framing all your future Accounts of Remains of Stores.

67. We forbid your giving Pentions to any Persons whatsoever but to such as We shall expressly direct, if you do We shall charge the same to your particular Accounts and with regard to the Widows Graham and Smith Captain Morgan and Mr. Baker, if their necessitys are such as you represent, send them home at the Companys expence and We will consider of their Meritts.

68. During the time Mr. Holt was attending the Mint he was not employed in other Branches of Our Affairs, We therefore do not think him entitled to any Allowance on that Account.

69. You did right in applying to Admiral Boscawen for his reimbursing the expences We had been at in the Maintenance of his Troops and other Charges incurred by the Expedition against Pondicherry, and by acquainting Us with what passed between you in Writing upon that occasion; but you should have carryed the matter further by endeavouring to have had the several Accounts Authenticated by him, which he could not have reasonably denyed and would have rendered Our Applications to the Government for Repayment less difficult.

70. We apprehend a great deal of difficulty in setling the unadjusted Accounts of the Squadron under the Command of the late Mr. Barnet and Mr. Peyton who is likewise dead, with the Government, you must therefore send Us all such further Papers and Informations you possibly can Collect relating thereto Authenticated in the best manner you can.

Seventhly of the West Coast.

71. Take care to supply Our Settlements on the West Coast with all such Stores and Necessarys as they stand in need of, and be particularly attentive to their Conduct, by appointing a Committee as was the constant practice at Fort St. George to Inspect their Advices and examine into their Proceedings from time to time and Report the same together with their Observations thereon to the Board.

72. The Deputy Governour and Council having advised Us of the late Cruel and extraordinary Behaviour of the Dutch upon the West Coast, We have laid the same before His Majesty together with several other Papers relating to the Pretensions they have lately sett up to an exclusive Trade at Sumatra, Borneo and several other Places to which they have as little right, and as his Majesty has been pleased to take the same under his Royal Consideration, We are satisfyed We shall have Our Right to a Free Trade effectually supported, as well as full Satisfaction made for past Injurys

Supplement.

73. The Commissioners for Victualling the Navy having acquainted Us in case it should happen his Majestys Ships which compose Commodore Lisles Squadron should be Sailed for Europe before the Supply of Beef and Pork Shipped on the Duke of Cumberland, Grantham, York and Prince Edward arrives they have Consigned the same to the Governour of Fort St. David or the Chief of any of Our Settlements on the Choromandell Coast in order to be Sold to the best advantage for His Majesty, if therefore the said Squadron should be Sailed you are hereby directed to follow the Orders of the said Commissioners in the disposal of the said Provisions, and receive the Produce thereof into Our Cash, drawing Bills upon Us for the Amount at the Rate of Seven Shillings and eight pence a Pagoda payable to the Treasurer of His Majestys Navy.

74. We have had a great deal of trouble in Littigating Mr. Belsches's Accounts with the Commissioners of the Sick and Wounded Office who have at last deducted from the Amount thereof the Sum of Two hundred eighty five Pounds, five Shillings and ten pence farthing for the several reasons mentioned in their Remarks, Copys of which We have forwarded in these Ships Packets, you must therefore oblige Mr. Belsches to repay the said Sum into Our Cash at your Settlement, and also give Security to make good any Deductions which may be made out of his future Accounts.

75. And We cannot help observing that you have negligently omitted to forward to Us Mr. Belsches Accounts from the 31 July 1748 to the time of the Porto Bello Sailed in February following by which We shall suffer considerably in being kept so much longer out of Our Money as the Government make no Allowance for Interest.

76. We direct that for the future you send at the same time with your Annual Indent for Medicines and Drugs, a List of all the Surgeons Instruments and Utensils belonging to the Company then remaining. We are

YOUR LOVING FRIENDS

LONDON THE 8 DECEMBER 1749.

ABEL FONNEREAU.
JOHN HOPE.

WM. BAKER.
RICHD. CHAUNCY.
R. DRAKE.
W. MABBOTT.
SAML. FEAKE.
J. RAYMOND.
P. GODFREY.
J. WINTER.
W. WILLY.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.
CHA: CUTTS.
NICHS. LINWOOD.
JAMES CREED.
JOHN THORNTON.
R. BOOTLE.
JOHN PAYNE.
CHAS. GOUGH.
THOS. PHIPPS.
STEPHEN LAW.

No. 15.

SEPARATE LETTER TO FORT ST. DAVID DATED 8TH, DECEMBER 1749.

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OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. DAVID.

1. Being Determined to have Our Possessions and Estate put in as perfect Security for the future, as We are able by making such Additions to, and Alterations in the Fortifications and Works at our several Settlements in the East Indies, and the Island of Saint Helena, as may render them Defenceable against the Attacks of any European or Indian Enemys, We have in order thereto, Appointed Benjamin Robins Esqr. in whose Integrity and Capacity, We have an entire Confidence, Our Engineer General, as likewise Commander in Chief of the Artillery, And that you may be fully apprized of our Intentions in Employing him, We have here inserted his Instructions, and We direct that every Article in them, so far as they relate to Fort St. David and its Subordinate Settlements, be as fully complied with, as if they were particularly Addressed to you, and We further recommend and direct, that in any Matters which may have been omitted in these Instructions you give him all possible Assistance and furtherance, and We particularly direct, that if any doubts shall arise about the meaning or Import of any of the Articles contained in these his Instructions, he himself, as best Acquainted with Our Intentions, shall be Appealed to for the sense of them.

"TO BENJAMIN ROBINS ESQR.

"We the Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants "of England Trading to the East Indies, having by Commissions "under the Companys Seal, Appointed You Engineer General of "all our Settlements, in the East Indies, and our Island St. "Helena; as likewise Commander in Chief of the Artillery "during the time of your stay at any of Our Settlements or

"Places, and of all Persons intended for its Service; You are "therefore to Proceed on the Ship Grantham, now bound to Fort "St. David on the Coast of Choromandell, and observe and follow "the under mentioned Instructions, and all such others as We "shall at any time hereafter think necessary to give you.

1. "You are to Proceed first to Fort St. David, next to Fort St. "George, next to Fort William in Bengal, next to Bombay, and "are to call at Saint Helena in your return to Europe, and if, in "your Passage from one of these places to another, you can, with-"out too great a loss of time, call in at any other of Our Subordi-"nate Settlements on the Coasts of Choromandell or Mallabar, "you are permitted in that particular, to be guided by your own "discretion, but We particularly recommend Vizagapatam to "your Attention.

2. "In all these Places you are carefully to Examine the Fortifica-"tions, and to take an exact Plan of the present Works; after "which you are to form a Scheme of such Additions or Repara-"tions as shall on the consideration of all circumstances appear to "you to be most Expedient. Two Copys of this Plan and Scheme "you are to send to us by the two first Conveyances, together with "the nearest Estimate you can form of the Expence, you are "besides to Transmit to us at the same time such Descriptions "and Explanations, as may the better enable us to Judge, both "of the present Condition of the place, and of the Advantages "of the Alterations proposed, and are to remark every Circum-"stance, that may occur to you for facilitating the Execution "of your Plan And for the better Directing of your Judgement "in all these Matters, you are to have free access to all Books "and Papers in the Custody of our Governours and Council, "where any Deliberations Resolutions, Projects, Estimates or "Accounts relating to our Fortifications are Entered.

3. "By Our Orders of the 17th. June 1748 (Copys of which are here-"with delivered to you) We have made a new Regulation of our "Military Force, and have directed the Establishment of a "Company of Artillery at Fort St. David, Fort William and "Bombay, And We being desirous that our Artillery, on which "the Security of Our Settlements so much depends, may be in "the best Condition possible, do appoint you to Examine how "far these new Regulations of the Artillery have been Executed, "We therefore direct, that, without any Pay or Profit thence "arising, you during the time of your Stay at any of Our places "shall have the Chief Command of the Artillery therein, and of "the Persons intended for its Service, whether they form a "Company, a Gunroom Crew, or by whatever name they are "Distinguished, These you are to see trained to the Use of "Cannon and Mortars in the manner you shall Appoint, & you "are to Allot what quantity of Ammunition you Judge neces-"sary for that purpose, and you are also to form a Plan for this "Exercise, which you are to Deliver to the Governour or Chief "at your leaving each Place, and which is punctually to be "followed by the Officers of Artillery, 'till other Directions shall "be given by Us.

4. "You are besides to Examine the Small Arms, Cannon, Mortars, "Carriages, Ammunition & Military Stores of every kind, which "are in any of Our Magazines in the Places where you shall be, "Of all these you are to make exact Inventorys, noting what "part is decayed, Unserviceable or Defective, and what Changes

"or Additions are necessary to be made, either at the Pieces or "Stores, for the better Defence of the Place, Two Copys of "these Inventorys or Remarks, you are to transmit to us by the "Two first Conveyances, In taking these Inventorys you are "particularly to observe if our Instructions of the 17th. June "1748, with regard to the Accounts to be kept by the Store-"keeper, be punctually Complied with, if they are not, you are "to deliver to the Storekeeper a Copy of your own Inventory, "and are to direct him in the manner of Entering his future "Receipts and Deliverys, And you are expresly Ordered to "Declare to him, that our Directions for the keeping these "Accounts, and the Transmitting Copys of them home, shall be "rigorously followed for the future in every Article.

5. "And We hereby Empower you to suspend or Dismiss any of our "Officers or Private Men in the Artillery, that you shall think "unfit for our Service, Transmitting to us the reasons of the "Suspension or Dismission of any Officer as aforesaid, and you "are to Appoint other Officers in their Stead, until our Pleasure "is known.

6. "If during your stay in India any of Our Places should be threat-"ned with an Attack either from an European Enemy, or from "the Troops of the Countrey, We in that Case leave it to your "discretion to repair to such of Our Settlements, where [e]ither "from the Neighbourhood of the Enemy, or from other Con-"siderations, you shall conceive your Advice and Assistance "may be of most Advantage to our Interests, and on all these "Emergencys, We shall direct our Governours and Council, "that they shall admit you to be present, and to Vote at all "Consultations, where any Military Proceedings are Consider-"ed.

7. "In all our Places that you shall visit (except Calcutta in "Bengal,) We chuse that you should avoid any great and Expen-"sive Work till you have Our further Directions, but where the "delay is apparently mi[s]chievous, and where you are fully satis-"fy'd in your own Judgment, We authorize you to direct "immediately what Reparations or Changes shall be made, "either in the Fortifications, the Warehouses, the Artillery or "in any other Article connected with the Defence of the Settle-"ment, having a particular regard, that the Warehouses if pos-"sible, may be situated in convenient and secure Places within "the Fortifications, and the Magazines Secure[d].

8. "And to avoid the unnecessary Expence which Confusion and mis-"management may occasion in the Works you may carry on in "consequence of these, or of our Subsequent Instructions, you "are Empowered in [all] Cases to Appoint Inspectors at each "Working Place, over each Branch of Work, these are to have "an Eye upon the Work, and are to take a daily account of the "number of Workmen employed under them, and no Payments "to Workmen shall be allowed to the Paymaster but Corre-"sponding to the Certificates of these Inspectors, Examined and "Countersigned by yourself; We further Direct that you "Appoint two joint Inspectors to be present at the Delivery of "all Materials, and the Paymaster shall not pay for these "Materials, but on the Joint Certificates of these Inspectors "examined & Countersign'd by you. Of all these Certificates "you are to keep Copys by which you are to Examine the "Paymasters Account[s] which he is to deliver to you every

" Month, and if upon this Examination, or for any other reasons
" you are dissatisfyed with his Conduct, you are to require the
" Governour to remove him from his Office of Paymaster, which
" requisition of yours, the Governour Will be Directed to Com-
" ply with, and if any Person employ'd in the Works, whether
" our own Servant, or an Artificer of the Countrey does not be-
" have to your Satisfaction, You are Authorized to remove him
" from his Employ in the Works, and if he be Our Covenant
" Servant you are to Certifye to Us, the reasons for which you
" displaced him.

9\. " As We are resolved to throw up some Works about the Town of
" Calcutta, for the better defence of its Inhabitants agreeable to
" our Letter of the 17th. June 1748. A Copy of which is here-
" with delivered to You, You are therefore on your Arrival at
" Fort William to consider of a Plan for that purpose, in forming
" this Plan you are to endeavour, that it may be of such a
" nature, that without any material Charge in the General dis-
" position, and without demolishing the Works that will first be
" raised, the whole may afterwards be wrought into a more
" compleat Fortress; when after maturely weighing all the
" Circumstances, necessary to be Considered you have formed
" your Plan for the Works about Calcutta, and have made an
" Estimate of the time, Expence, Materials & Workmen neces-
" sary to Compleat it, and have determined with what part to
" begin and in what Order to proceed, you are then to lay the
" Whole before Our Governour and Council, and to require
" them to prepare the Money, Materials and Workmen, and to
" Issue the proper Orders for carrying on the Work, which
" requisition of yours they will be Directed to comply with.

10\. " That you may be the better enabled to Execute the various
" Articles contained in these Instructions, We have sent with
" you Mr. John Barker, Nathaniel Carrington, Charles O'Hara,
" Sampson Morrice, Charles Knapton, and Philip Glass to be
" your Assistants, all whom are to be therefore entirely under
" your Directions, to be employed as you shall order, and for their
" Diet We direct that Twenty Pounds Sterling ⅌ Month be
" allowed you over and above the Appointment in your Con-
" tract, but as the said Allowances is Calculated for Six Persons,
" therefore a proportionable Abatement is to be made in case of
" the Death or Dismission of any of them, and we farther allow
" Mr. Barker Forty Pounds Sterling ⅌ Year, and each of the
" others Twenty pounds Sterling ⅌ Year by way of Salary,
" till such time as you Quit them on your return to Europe,
" after which they are to be Entertained in our Service on
" the same foot as our other Servants in the like Rank that is,
" to say Mr. Barker to take his Standing as a Factor, from the
" time of his first Landing in India, and the others to take their
" Standings as Writers from the same time, on your return to
" Europe you are to leave them in such of our Settlements,
" where you think they will be most Useful, We reserving to
" ourselves the Power of fixing them afterwards either in
" Bengal, or on the Coast of Choromandel or Mallabar, if besides
" these Persons you carry with you, you shall think it necessary
" in any of our Places to have the Assistance of any other of our
" Servants or Officers, you are Empowered to make use of them
" in the manner you shall find most Expedient; provided if
" they are above the degree of Writers it be with their own free
" Consent, And every one of our Covenant Servants thus

"Employed by you shall not thereby be deprived of any of the "Advantages of Rank, Pay, Allowance or Advancement, which "he would have been Entituled to otherwise.

11. "If you are obliged to leave any of Our Places, before the "Works you have begun are Compleated, you are Authorized if "you think it expedient to leave one or more of your Assistants "behind you, whom you are fully to apprize of the nature of "your Design, and of the manner in which you intend it to be "Executed, Those whom you thus leave, are to keep a regular "Journal, in which they are to enter daily, the Quantity of "Materials received, the Number of Workmen Employed, the "Payments made, and the Progress of the Work, for which "purpose they are to have free Access to all parts of the Works, "and to all Accounts and Papers relating thereto. And if at any "time they observe that the Work is not Carried on conformable "to your Plan, or that there are any Irregularitys in the Pay- "ments, or misconduct in the Workmen, They are [to] make "their Complaints in Writing to the Governour and Council, "and are to pray that proper Orders may be given for the "remedy of those Abuses, Copys of all these Complaints they "are to enter regularly in their Journal, which Journal is after- "wards to be delivered to you, and by you to be Transmitted to "Us, reserving a Copy for your own Use, You are during your "Absence to allow each of your Assistants for Diet Money "Three Pounds six Shillings and eight pence Sterling a Month, "over and above their Salary, and as an Encouragement to them "to behave faithfully in this Employment, you may assure them "that on your representing to Us their Fidelity and Dilli- "gence, they may depend on being Considered by us in the "manner their Services shall deserve, but if contrary to our "Expectation, any of them should upon these or other occasions "fail in the Integrity, or assiduity expected of them, you are "Empowered to remove them from their Employ, and to send "them to Europe by the first convenient Shipping, Certifying to "us at the same time the reasons for their Dismission.

12. "That the Works begun or Projected by you, may not be inter- "rupted by any Casualty that may happen to you, We direct "you to draw your Designs upon a large Scale, and to be very "explicit in your Description of their different parts; and if, "from the particularity of the Construction, there are any "Works intended, where it may be supposed that Drawings are "not alone sufficiently instructive, you are in that case to cause "large and durable Models to be made of them, which Models "together with Copys of your Plan, and all the Descriptions, "Directions and Estimates relating thereto, you are to Deposit "with our Governour and Council of the Place where the Works "are to be Carried on.

13. "You are carefully to Correspond with Us, and to Inform Us "of the Progress you make, and of the manner in which your "different Employments are Executed, and of the Behaviour of "those We send out under your Direction, and as you are "furnished with proper Instruments, you are to take all fitting "Opportunitys to observe the Longitudes and Latitudes of such "Places as you shall visit, and likewise the Variation of the "Compass as often as you conveniently can, and when you are "not immediately busied in our other Services, We expect that "you should not omit pursuing any Enquirys which may occur to "you, that may tend either to the Emprovement of Geography

"and Navigation, or to the Advancement of other Branches of "Useful Knowledge, or to the Support and Enlargement of Our "Commerce and Interests in the East.

14. "We have provided several Mathematical Instruments, and "other Particulars for your Use, according to the enclosed List, "which on your Departure from India are to be delivered to the "Governour and Council at any of Our Settlements as may be "most convenient to you."

2. The same Civil and Military Honours are to be paid to Mr. Robins as to the Third in Council, and as you value our future favour, you and all our Servants in general are, as well in your Private as Publick Capacitys, to behave in such a manner to him, as may facilitate the Execution of his Plan.

3. Mr. Robins is under Covenants with us to continue in India until the Dispatch of the last Ships, from the Places where he shall be Resident, between the Months of January and March 1753/4 and if he loses his Passage Outward bound he is to continue in India until the same time in 1754/5. During the time of his Stay at your Settlement you are to pay him for his own and his Menial Servants Subsistence, and instead of Diet Money, after the rate of Ten Pounds Sterling for every Calendar Month, to Commence from his first Arrival at any of the Companys Settlements.

4. Which as well as the several Allowances mention'd in the beforegoing Instructions, are to be Computed and paid at the rate We permit Bills of Exchange to be Drawn upon Us on Account of our Covenant Servants.

5. Upon removing from your Settlement to another, you are to Certifye to what time Mr. Robins and his Assistants have been respectively paid their said Allowances, and in failure of such Certificate the Governour and Council of the Place where they are Resident shall be governed in their Payments thereof, by a Certificate to that purpose under the hand of Mr. Robins.

6. Over and above the Allowances aforesaid you are to Discharge all the Expences he shall be at for himself Assistants and Servants in going from place to place by Sea or Land, as well as all extraordinary Expences incurr'd by him in the Execution of the Trust We have reposed in him, which said Expences not having been otherways before paid him, are to be paid on his Certifying the particulars to you under his hand.

7. That We may have a full and distinct view of all the Charges and Expences that will attend the Carrying our Engineers Schemes into Execution, they are to be Carried to Account under a new head, to be Erected in your Books for that purpose.

8. You are to provide for Mr. Robins and his Assistants a Convenient Apartment or House in the Fort or elsewhere as may be most conducive to the Service, and agreeable to him.

9. Upon Mr. Robins's discharging his Assistants on his return to Europe, and their being thereupon in consequence of the 10th. Para. of his Instructions to be on the foot of Covenant Servants, they are then to enter into the usual Covenants, and Write to their Friends in England to give the customary Security.

10. We observe that Thomas Heath whom We sent out a Writer to be Trained up under Mr. Delavaux is represented as not having a Turn to the Profession of an Engineer, and is therefore Stationed under the Accountant at Fort St. David, We direct that Mr. Robins have a Tryal of him, and if he finds him Incapable or unwilling to Assist him that he be sent Home on One of the first Ships.

11. The several Mathematical Instruments, and other Articles provided for the Service of the Engineer, are to be left with the Governour and Council at any of Our Settlements as may be most convenient to him on his Departure from India.

12. We have appointed Robert Barrowcliffe a Smith, and Israel Selfe a Carpenter, to proceed with, and be under the Direction of our Engineer, they have

Contracted to Serve Five Years from the time of their Landing at any one of our Settlements from which time they are to be paid Sixty Pounds Sterling ℘ Annum, each in full for their respective Services, when Mr. Robins leaves India they are to serve the remainder of their Five Years where they may be most Useful to the Company, you are to be governed as to the rate of Exchange, and the manner of Paying them according to the Directions We have given with regard to Mr. Robins and his Assistants in the preceding part of this Letter. We are

LONDON 8TH. DECEMR. 1749.

Your loving Friends

WM. BAKER.
THOS. PHIPPS.
ABEL FONNEREAU.
JOHN HOPE.
STEPHEN LAW.
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No. 16.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. DAVID DATED 12TH. JANUARY 1749, PER THE NORFOLK.

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OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
AT FORT SAINT DAVID.

1. Our last Advices under Date of the 8th. of December went by the Ships Duke of Cumberland, Grantham, Prince Edward and York; the two first Sailed out of the Downes the 20th. of the same Month.

2. The Norfolk Captain Nathaniel Hancock is Consignd to you, under Orders however to receive aboard Three hundred Pipes of Wine at the Island of Madeira, One Moiety of which We have directed Our Agents to Consign to you, and the other Moiety to Bengal.

3. You are to Direct a Survey to be made of the Stowage, and the Condition of the Casks, that the Commander may Account with you, for what may be wanting, more than the Customary Leakage.

4. Captain Hancock and his Officers are allow'd Twenty Pipes of Madeira Wine on their Private Account, if any more should be Landed at your Settlement, it must be Seized and Sold on our Account as Unlicenced Goods, and you are to advise our President and Council in Bengal of the real Quantity Landed.

5. For the other Consignments to you by the Norfolk, We refer you to the Invoice and Bill of Lading in that Ships Packet.

6. Although the Ships Kent Capt. William Robson, the London Capt. William Sedgwick, and the Lynn Capt. William Egerton are Consigned to Fort William, the Commanders have our Directions to call at Fort St. David that the Bullion by the said Ships may be Coined, which must be done with the utmost Expedition.

7. Concluding that you have Coined the Bullion sent you by the Portfield and the China Ships, We direct that you send to Bengal on the Kent, London and Lynn the full Amount in Rupees of the value of the Bullion by the said last mentioned three Ships, and that you likewise send by the Norfolk an equal Value with either of those Ships, And we further Direct, that after the Dispatch of the said Ships, you continue to send by every Opportunity, whatever you can to the

Bay, our Intent being, that you should retain in your hands no more of our Effects, than will be absolutely necessary, for making your Investment and Defraying your Charges.

8. That you may be enabled to Dispatch home the more Ships, all of this Season as well as the last carry out whole Kintladge in Iron, which you must observe to reckon into the Tonnage, for so many Tons in Goods as the Charterparty mentions there are Tons of Iron Kintladge, to be Carried out and brought home.

9. As the Ships thus carry out Iron, you are not obliged by Charterparty to Load any Salt Petre, unless you are under a necessity of doing it, for want of other Goods, in which case you are to put aboard as much as will compleat the Charter-party Tonnage, and no more.

10. In this manner you are to send home as many Ships as you can procure Tonnage for, observing always, that those which have been longest in India are to be first Dispatched, and that the Surplus Tonnage, if you have any, must be laden on the latter Ships.

11. As it will be greatly for our Interest to have, as formerly, all our Ships Dispatched from our several Settlements the same Season they arrive, We recommend it to you to Act in concert with our Servants in Bengal and on the Mallabar Coast, the more effectually to answer our Intentions.

12. But if it shall happen, notwithstanding your utmost Efforts, any Ship should remain on your hands, She must be Employed in such a manner as will at least Ballance the Demorage that will be Incurred, by her Staying in India a Season extraordinary; and if there is a necessity of detaining any Ship it must be the London.

13. You must Early, and with as much exactness as you can, advise our Servants in the Bay what number of Bales you expect to have ready for the returning Shipping, and at the same time remind them of sending you a sufficient Quantity of Salt Petre.

14. As the Selling Coast Piece Goods at the beginning of the September Sale, will be greatly to the Companys Advantage, We earnestly recommend it to you, to use your utmost endeavours, to Dispatch One or Two Ships, with a large proportion of Fine Goods, so early as to Arrive in England some time in the Month of June.

15. As by this time the Books and Papers taken by the French at Fort S^{t}. George, we expect to hear are in your Possession, We direct (if it has not been already done) that an Exact List be made of them, and Transmitted to us by the first Conveyance, and that at the same time you remark whether any are missing, or not returned by the French, with the reasons thereof, This Order is not meant, to delay your immediately sending us such Books and Papers as were mentioned in our Letter of the 29th. of March last by the Severn.

16. We have appointed Joseph Cooper a Writer on your Establishment, who is to be Employed in such a Station, wherein he may be most useful to Us.

17. We have permitted the undermentioned Persons to Reside in India under the Companys Protection Viz^{t}.

18. Thomas Whitlatch, John Brohier and Jacob Dawson in the Seafaring way, John Page to Practice Surgery, wherever he may be wanted or Approved of, and Joseph Lowe (now in Bengal) as a Free Merchant.

19. The Intimations We received last Year that a Spirit of Gaming prevailed among our Servants at Fort S^{t}. David have to our great Concern proved too true, and We have had undoubted Assurances that it has been connived at and practised by M^{r}. Floyer and many of our Superiour Servants to such a degree as almost to engross their whole time and attention, hence in a great measure the Extravagant Expences of your Settlement are to be accounted for, as well as the general neglect and want of Order in every branch of our Affairs, to remedy which a Change of hands is become absolutely necessary, We therefore Order and Direct that M^{r}. Floyer and M^{r}. Holt be immediately Dismissed from the Companys Service.

20. And We do hereby Constitute and Appoint the undermentioned Persons Our Council for the Management of all our Affairs on the Choromandel Coast Establishment Viz[t].

Thomas Saunders Esq . President and Governor for all our Affairs on the Choromandel, Orixa and Sumatra Coasts.

M[r]. Richard Prince Second and to Succeed as President in case of the Death or Absence of M[r]. Saunders.

Major Stringer Lawrence, Third and to remain as such.

M[r]. Cornelius Goodwin	Fourth
M[r]. Richard Starke ...	Fifth
M[r]. Joseph Fowke ...	Sixth
M[r] Charles Boddam ...	Seventh
M[r]. Henry Powney ...	Eight
M[r]. Robert Goodere ...	Ninth
M[r]. George Pigot ...	Tenth
M[r]. Samuel Greenhaugh	Eleventh

21. The Principle we go upon in Settling the Council as above is to Rank every one according to their real Standing in our Service, and this is the method which in all Cases we intend to pursue, and you are to observe unless you have our Orders to the contrary.

22. Although We have left M[r]. Croke out of the Council We do not thereby mean to leave him out of our Service, but in Consideration of his Age and former Services, We direct that he always continue to Rank as a Senior Merchant next under the Council, and that in lieu of all former and other Appointments whatsoever he be allowed Two hundred Pounds a Year.

23. Agreeable to the Principle abovementioned We direct that M[r]. Wynch and M[r]. Westcot (late of Council) be Ranked upon the List of Covenant Servants precisely according to the Situation they would have been in had Fort S[t]. George not been taken.

24. And as Vacancys happen in the Council We direct that the next in Standing be taken in, unless their behaviour or Circumstances may render them unfit for that Station.

25. M[r]. Pigot who was made a Prisoner at War upon the Surrender of Fort Saint George to the French, and thereupon come to England, now Returns to his Duty on one of the Ships of this Season, if you think he may be of particular Service to Us at Fort Saint George you may Station him there.

26. The whole Council are to take the usual Oath of Fidelity, and the President must write to his Friends in England to give the customary Security, as must such of the Council whose Friends have not already done so.

27. You are particularly to observe and follow the Directions we sent you by the Portfield under date of the 3[d]. of November last.

28. We direct that you appoint one of the most able of the Council Chief of Vizagapatam.

29. And a very capable Person Chief of Ingeram on both of whom We shall very much depend for the Encrease of the Investment on your Coast.

30. If M[r]. Munro or M[r]. Lightfoot Apply to be taken into the Companys Service in their former Stations at Madrass as Surgeons, you are to Entertain them accordingly.

31. We have great reason to doubt whether the vast Sums of Money expended at Fort S[t]. David since M[r]. Floyers coming to the Chair have been justly and fairly Accounted for, We therefore possitively direct that you do immediately make a strict enquiry into M[r]. Floyers Accounts as likewise of all other of our Servants who have been Concerned in Transacting our Affairs, and wherever you find the Company have been fraudulently injured, that you do not suffer any of them to proceed to England until they have made Us full and ample Satisfaction.

32. As the pernicious Vice of Gaming has spread like a Contagion among all Ranks and Degrees of our Servants both Civil and Military, We are determined to put a stop to it by making Examples of every Person infected therewith, You must therefore Agreeable to the Directions We gave you last year make a strict Enquiry into the Behaviour of our several Servants as well the Military as Civil, and send us a particular Account of such Enquirys, and in the meantime Reprimand, Suspend, or even Dismiss them from our Service according to the Degree of their Guilt, every Covenant Servant and each Military Officer are to be called before the President and Council and Acquainted with these Our Orders. We are

LONDON 12TH. JANUARY 1749.

YOUR LOVING FRIENDS

WM. BAKER
RICHD. CHAUNCY
J. RAYMOND.
SAML. FEAKE.
P. GODFREY.
J. WINTER.
JOHN PAYNE.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.
WILLM. RIDER.
THOS. PHIPPS.
JOHN HOPE.
W. MABBOTT.
M. IMPEY.
ABEL FONNEREAU.
JOHN THORNTON.
CHA: CUTTS.
NICHS. LINWOOD.
STEPHEN LAW.
JAMES CREED.
CHAS. GOUGHS.

No. 17.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. DAVID DATED 22ND. MARCH 1749

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OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
AT FORT ST. DAVID.

1. The Ships Kent, London, Norfolk and Lynn carry'd our last Advices under date of the 12th. of January.

2. The Norfolk and Lynn Sailed out of the Downes the 20th. of January last, but being Soon Seperated, Contrary Winds and bad Weather drove the former to Dublin Bay, with the loss of her Foremast, Maintopmast, and some damage to her Rudder, which Captain Hancock writes he hopes will be repair'd by the 22th. Inst. and the latter was obliged to bear away for Falmouth from whence She Sailed in the prosecution of her Voyage the 1st. of March.

3. The Kent, and London after lying a Considerable time Wind bound, sailed out of the Downes the 1st. of March.

4. We have taken up Two more Ships this Season Vizt. the Benjamin Captain George Meard Commander, Burthen 350 Tons, and the True Briton Captain Henry Broadley Commander Burthen 400 Tons, the first for the Coast and Bay, and the other for China.

5. Our Principal inducement for taking up the Benjamin is to Send a further Supply of Treasure and Goods to Bengal, in Order to put our Servants in a further condition to Discharge the heavy debt contracted at that Settlement, We have

therefore Consigned the said ship directly to Bengal, But at the same time We have Directed Captain Meard, in case he can reach Your Place by the 15th. of August, to put in and follow Such Orders as he shall receive from You.

6. If therefore the Benjamin should arrive at Fort St. David, You must forthwith put on board her all the Coined Treasure You have ready, as also what can be got ready in Ten Days after her arrival, taking out an equal value of her Bullion in lieu of it, and no more, as the Amount of her Consignment to Bengal must on no pretence whatsoever be Lessened.

7. You must within Ten days at furthest give the Commander Orders to make the best of his way to Fort William.

8. The Invoice and Bill of Lading is enclosed in the packet directed to You, which must be forwarded to the President and Council of Fort William by this Ship, Observing to make a proper Endorsement on the latter, for Such Bullion as You shall receive out of her, and to have a fresh Bill of Lading Signed for the Rupees laden in lieu thereof.

9. In case Our Supra Cargoes in China should in Consequence of any Orders from Us, Send any Ships from thence to be returned with Country Cargoes, You are to comply with all such Directions as you Shall receive from them relative to Such Voyages.

10. The Cargoes of the Ships Hardwick, Scarborough, Wager, and Duke of Dorset were Consigned directly to Fort St. David, with Directions that part Should be continued aboard for Canton, accordingly We find New Bills of Lading were Signed for Such part of their Cargoes as were Consigned to Canton, but the Warehouse Keeper in Endorseing the Bills of Lading from England, has taken no Notice of the Same, as he ought to have done, or of Fifty Tons of Iron deliver'd from the Hardwick, We likewise Observe that the Warehouse Keeper and Store Keeper have Endorsed on the Bill of Lading of the True Briton Consigned from England to Fort William, that they had received in part of the Contents of the said Bill of Lading as ℘ List sent in the Packet, whereas by an unaccountable Omission no Packet was received by the Said Ship, and if there had such a refference was irregular, because the particulars should have been very expressly mentioned in the Endorsement.

11. We are tired with mentioning so many irregularitys and Omissions, But We cannot pass by another very Extraordinary One without taking notice of it Vizt. the not sending Us any advices of the violent Storm which happened in April last, the want of a conveyance cannot be pleaded, as Admiral Boscawen advised the Admiralty of it by way of Bombay and Persia, and the Governour and Council of Bombay forwarded the Copy of a Short Letter you wrote to them upon that occasion.

12. Complaints have been made to us by the Buyers, that when they came to make Use of Several Parcels of Piece Goods received from Your Settlement, particularly the Brown Long Cloths they proved Rotten, although the Package appeared to be in good Condition, We have found many of the Pieces of white Long Cloth and Salampores full of holes, which must have been before they were folded up, We mention this, that the greatest care be taken by the Persons who Embale the Goods, to prevent any roome for such Complaints in future, as We are perswaded they must have been damaged before they were packed.

13. As it is of the greatest consequence to have the Books which contain the Accounts of the Transactions of Our Agents in the Execution of the Companys Business, rendered as Authentick as possible We therefore possitively Direct that it be a Standing Order for the future, that the Minutes of every Consultation be signed by all the Members present, on or before the next Consultation day, and that all Copys thereof which are to be transmitted to England, or lodged at Fort S. David, be Signed at the Same time, or on or before the next Consultation day, following at furthest, this is to be regarded as a General Order, as well at Fort St. David as the Subordinate Settlements.

14. You are likewise to observe it as a Standing Order for the future, that no Person be suffered to come to England until he has fully and satisfactorily adjusted all Accounts depending between him and the Company, however this is not to be construed to prevent the coming home of any Person, or Persons who have been or may be particularly named by Us.

15. The President and Council of Bombay having represented to us that the Tryal Snow on her arrival there wanting some Repairs, which could not be finished in time, to return her to Fort St. David or Bengal, they Judged she might during the time she must necessarily lay there be of some Assistance joined with the Triumph Phrawn, in Cruizing between Cannoree and Versovah for Securing the Import of the small Trade against the Enemys Gallivatts, but Captain Taylor while in that Station lying at anchor instead of Cruizing, sufferd several of their Fishing Boats to be taken without firing upon the Enemy though within Gun Shot, and that they therefore judged it most for the Safety of the Vessell to call him into Port; Captain Taylor by his Behaviour having renderd himself unworthy of our Service, We empowered the President and Council to Dismiss him, and appoint another Person to Command the Tryal Snow, and if he should be gone to Fort St. David or Bengal, to forward a particular Account of his Behaviour with our Directions for his Dismission, In case therefore he should be at your Port you are to Discharge him from Our Service, and give the Command of the Tryal to a more deserving Man.

16. Upon reconsidering the Advices from our late President and Council under date of the 25th. April 1748 relating to the Sallary and allowances setled on Major Lawrence, We find them so Contrary to Our express Orders and Intention, that Notwithstanding what We wrote you on the 28th. of January 1748 We direct that he be allowed only what We agreed with him for upon his engaging in the Companys Service which to prevent any doubts We now particularly mention Vizt. as Standing 3d. of Council at Fort St. David, Major of the Garrison and Commander of One of the Companys, his Sallary is to be Two Hundred and Fifty Pounds a Year with the same appointments for Diet Servants and Pallankeen as 3d. of Council, he is likewise to have the Cloathing of his Company agreable to the 22th. & 23th. paragraphs of the Military Regulation dated the 17th. June 1748 which Sallary and appointments are to be in lieu of all other allowances whatsoever, and you are to observe that he is not to have any additional Pay for any Service or Duty in regulating or Commanding the Artillery Company, or as One of the Council.

17. We observe upon looking over the Cash Accounts that the President has generally had large Balances remaining in his hands, contrary to Our Orders under date of the 24th. of December 1747. We therefore possitively direct that for the future those Orders be punctually Comply'd with, We likewise direct that they extend to the Subordinate Settlements, with this difference that you must limite the Running Cash in the Chiefs hands to such a Sum as you judge sufficient.

18. You must Send to Us by the first Conveyances all Such Original Letters, Papers and Accounts as have passed between Admiral Boscawen and you, with regard to the Disbursements out of Our Cash for the use of the Fleet and Army under his Command, with whatever else may facilitate our applications to the Government for Repayment, Send Us also attested Copys by other Conveyances, and keep attested Copys of all the said Papers by you, the like must be done with regard to the Squadrons under the Command of the late Mr. Barnet and Mr. Peyton both deceased, and Mr. Griffin.

19. Besides the Persons mentioned in Our former Advices of this Season We have allowed Captain Samuel Hough and Mr. Peter Downes to reside in India under Our protection as Free Merchants.

20. Mr. Richard Grindal who has been regularly Educated under an Eminent hospital Surgeon, and has practiced in London for some years with great reputation, will proceed to Fort S . David On One of the first Ships of next Season, he is immediatly upon his arrival to be appointed an Assistant Surgeon at Fort St. Davids

or Fort S^t^. George, and he is to succeed to the first Vacancy of Chief Surgeon at either Settlement after M^r^. Andrew Munro and M^r^. Stephen Lightfoot are provided for agreable to our Orders of the 12th. of January last. We are

Your Loving Friends

LONDON THE 22TH. MARCH 1749.

N. NEWNHAM JUNR.	WM. BAKER.
WM. WILLY.	RICHD. CHAUNCY.
ABEL FONNEREAU.	R. DRAKE.
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CHAS. GOUGH.	JOHN PAYNE.
RT. BOOTLE.	WHICHCOTT TURNER.

WM. RIDER.

No. 18.

LIST OF INVESTMENT TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL, FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1749.

	Pieces.
ALLEJARS. To be of a bright Red, Five hundred Pieces, if to be procured, if not send as many as you can get ...	500
BATTELLEES. of Nos. 25 & 26. One Thousand, and Nos. 28 & 29 One Thousand, but most of the head sorts. Two Thousand	2000
We have examin'd those received ℘ Porto Bello and find them of 50 Covids to be much inferiour in their Quality to what they were formerly; but those of 40 Covids we approve of.	
DITTO. Oringal, Fine, See that both Selvages are of equal Goodness, and take great Care to keep up the Quality. One Thousand Five hundred	1500
DITTO. Pullicat, the very best you can procure Eight hundred Pieces of two Covids broad, Six hundred pieces of three Covids broad, One hundred pieces of four Covids broad, and take particular care that the Quality be exceeding good. One Thousand Five hundred ...	1500
N.B. On examining the Cambrick Bettellees, We find the Quality very good, but so extravagantly dear, that they will by no means answer, and therefore you must not send Us any more.	
CHINTS MOORES, Ordinary, in some of the Bales, One tenth part coloured Grounds, of which some must be Green, some purple and but few Blues; the Patterns of those sent home of late Years are too open and mostly too large; for the future they must be fuller of Work to Cover the Cloth more, and as many different and new Patterns as possible, not less than half of them to be of smaller Patterns, and some very small, and We would have a mixture of some of the newest Dutch Patterns. We have observed for several Years past the Grounds have been tinged with Red which has been owing to want of care in the Washing, and some	

Pieces.

of them spoted, which has certainly been owing to their being packed Damp, particular Care must be taken that the Grounds are kept clear. They must be sent full twenty six Covids, or in half pieces thirteen Covids long, but if you could procure some of them twenty Eight Covids and some fourteen Covids long they would be very agreeable. Two thousand 2000

[Chints Moorees]. Fine, none.

N.B. Printing here is come to so great perfection that unless you can keep up exactly to these Instructions you must lessen the Quantity, but if you can keep up to them, you may encrease it Five hundred pieces; you must send more variety of Patterns in this Article than what has formerly been sent from Fort St. George.

Callowapores. Must be of a bright red, One Thousand. 1000

Dimities Fort St. David. None. We strictly forbid you sending any more of this Article they selling greatly under prime Cost.

Ginghams. small White, to be kept up to the same goodness as those last sent. One Thousand 1000

Ditto. Blue, striped with variety of stripes, and about One third part in each Bale cheqd. Five hundred ... 500

Ditto. Red, striped with variety of stripes and about One third part in each Bale cheqd. Five hundred 500

Ditto. Clouded. None. We strictly forbid your sending any more of this Article they selling greatly under prime Cost.

Ditto. Cheqd. on a red Ground; We have wrote to Fort St. George several Years past for this Article, but never received any of them; you must take care to procure the Quantity now order'd if possible or as many of them as you can get. Eight hundred 800

N.B. You must not send any Superfine Coloured Ginghams.

Izzarees. fine, No. 1. Four hundred 400

Ditto. No. 2. Three hundred 300

Ditto. Superfine, Three hundred 300

Long cloth. Ordinary, One hundred and Fifty thousand. 150,000

Ditto. Middling, most 1M & 2M, you must endeavour to make them thicker for as they have been for some Years past very thin they have sold for less in proportion than the Ordinary. Forty Thousand 40,000

Ditto. Fine most F1 & F2. Twelve thousand ... 12,000

Ditto. Superfine, about Six Pagodaes, let them be as thick as possible you can procure, They must be made up square as formerly Order'd. Those sent of late Years, are not so good for the price as what We have received formerly. Six hundred 600

All the Longcloth and Sallampores which We have yet examined ℘ Porto Bello appear to be very badly sorted and not so good in their Numbers as usual, which induces Us to think that improper persons are employed in that Service who do not understand the Quality of those Goods.

	Pieces.
LONGLOTH. Blue, deep dye, Ordinary and Middling. Six Thousand	6000
We would have all the Vizagapatam and Ingeram Cloth washed at Fort St. David or Madrass if possible more care must be taken that the Gunnies and Wrappers are good and you must also comply with the Directions given you as to the Package of all the Goods you send. If you can encrease your Investment at Vizagapatam we earnesly recommend it to you provided it does not enhance the price.	
MOOREES. fine. Two thousand five hundred	2500
DITTO. Superfine, very thick for Shirts. Six hundred ...	600
DITTO. Ordinary, Three Thousand	3000
N.B. You must take particular care to make all the Moorees not less than thirteen Yards long, and will be still better if made fourteen Yards.	
ROMALS SOOTIE. of a bright Colour, but none upon a Brick Colour, half Blue and half Red. Ten Thousand.	10,000
DITTO. Red and White, to be made according to the sample sent Anno 1739 One Thousand	1000
DITTO. Pullicat, We strictly forbid you sending any of this Article	
DITTO. Metchlepatam or Sastracundy Romals, such as last sent, but without Glazing, Two Thousand ...	2000
SASTRACUNDIES, of a bright Red. Two Thousand ...	2000
We strictly Order you to send the Quantity here Ordered.	
The Romals hitherto sent have proved too much of the same check, you must for the future send variety of Checks in each Bale.	
SALLAMPORES. Ordinary, One hundred thousand ...	100,000
DITTO. Middling, Forty Thousand	40,000
DITTO. Fine, Ten Thousand	10,000
DITTO. 1 M. B. None	

Great care must be taken to keep all the Sallampores up to full Sixteen Yards long and the Usual bredth ; And take particular care that no damag'd Pieces are packed in the Bales, as a great many were last and some this Year, as also the Longcloth, being full of holes, many of them with holes darned up, and some with patches in them more particularly in the ordinary Vizagapatam Sallampores and the Ingeram Longcloth.

If you have any other Species of Goods not mentioned here you may send Us a few Bales of them for a Sample.

REDWOOD. as usual.

SALT PETRE. as ℘ General Letter.

Put the Commanders in mind that they lay sufficient Dunnage on the Salt Petre, before they stow the Bales, it being of that penetrating nature it often Damages the Cloth as it has formerly happened.

We shall Order our Servants in the Bay to supply you with some fine Jugdea Baftaes, which must be printed with variety of beautifull patterns, but not in the expensive manner of the Madrass Chints, you must continue to make them all white Grounds, and the Colours more lively with as much variety as you can.

More care must be taken in future that the Bales and Tickets of the Ingeram Cloth answer as to the sortment, and the Tickets put into all the Bales must be laid under the first piece that they may be easily found, and you must take care to send the Goods agreeable to Invoice, there having been great mistakes made for several Years past.

LAMPASSES. fine
&
SICASHES. fine } of each One Bale, the same sorts as are sent to Manilla.

You must send Us a Bale of every other sort of Goods brought home by all the European Ships from your Coast, which you have not complied with, nor have you given any reasons for it.

We have ordered for several Years the following Species of Goods Vizt. Allejars, Callowapores, Ginghams strip'd, Ditto cheqd. on a red Ground Sastracundies, and Romals Metchlepatam or Sastracundies, of which We have received few or none. We insist on having your reasons why that part of our Orders have not been better complied with.

We are,

LONDON THE 8TH. DECEMBER 1749. Your Loving Friends,

JOHN PAYNE.	J. WINTER.	WM. BAKER.
CHAS. GOUGH.	W. WILLY.	RICHD. CHAUNCY.
THO . PHIPPS.	WHICHCOTT TURNER.	R. DRAKE.
ABEL FONNEREAU.	CHA : CUTTS.	W. MABBOT.
JOHN HOPE.	NICHS. LINWOOD.	SAML. FEAKE.
STEPHEN LAW.	JAMES CREED.	J. RAYMOND.
	JOHN THORNTON.	P. GODFREY.
	R. BOOTLE.	

No. 19.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT MARLBOROUGH DATED 8TH. DECEMBER 1749, PER THE SUFFOLK.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol.* 53, *pp.* 85—91.]

[OUR] DEPUTY GOVERNOUR AND [COUNC]IL
AT FORT MARLBOROUGH.

1. Since the Departure of the Swallow with our Advices of the 4t . of October, the Godolphin has brought Us yours under date the 19th. of January last, together with your seperate Address relating to the Extraordinary and Cruel behaviour of the Dutch upon the West Coast.

2. The Ship Suffolk Captain Willam Wilson Commander, by which you will receive this Letter is Consigned first to St. Helena, from whence as soon as she has delivered her Cargo for that place, she will proceed directly to you, with a Consignment according to the enclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading.

3. The Governour and Council of St. Helena have our leave to detain One Chest of this Ship's Treasure if they want it, of which they are directed to give you Notice, as likewise to forward the Charterparty.

4. Send the Suffolk back to Us with as much Pepper as you can procure without incurring Demorage, as the present proffits upon a pepper Cargo will not admit of any Extraordinary Charges.

5. We have laden on the Swallow an half Chest of Treasure as Ship's Stock, the Commander is directed to pay what remains of it into our Cash at the last

Settlement he shall be dispatched from, or in failure thereof at St. Helena, in case it is paid in at Fort Marlborough, give him a Receipt for it, and duly advise Us of the same.

6. We observe the Godolphin lay near a Month at Manna, and the greatest part of the time upon Demorage for about Seventy Eight Tons of Pepper, owing as Mr. Wadman alledged to the Qualloes being choaked up by the strong Northwesterly Winds, This We hope is a true representation, and We mention it chiefly to apprize you how dear that small Quantity comes out.

7. Mr. Wadman did right in not detaining her longer for about Thirty Eight Tons of Pepper expected from Peeno, but as that disappointment was owing to the disobedience of the Master of a Boat's not calling for it in his way from Croce, according to Order, We expect to hear you have called him to a strict Account for it.

8. Keep the Sloops as constantly employed as possible, particularly in bringing Pepper to Marlborough, to prevent our paying Demorage, as We are obliged to do in the case of the Godolphin abovementioned.

9. We approve of your Assisting the Dutch Ship in Distress, as well as the Crew of the other which was lost, although We are sorry to observe how little these Acts of Humanity operate upon their cruel Tempers.

10. We have as fully complied with your Indents by this Ship as We could, after allowing room for the Stores St. Helena stands in need of.

11. As very good Gunpowder is now made at Bombay, We have directed our President and Council at Fort St. David to furnish themselves and your Settlement with it for the future, you must make your application to them accordingly when you are in want of any, and give Us Notice how it proves.

12. We observe you have had considerable Quantitys of Rice, Arrack and other Stores from Batavia of late, We hope you are as frugal in the Use of them as possible, and that no more were bought than absolute necessity obliged you to.

13. By your Consultations of the 16th. April 1747 there appears a very large deficiency of Arrack and Rice brought in a Sloop from Batavia, the Arrack indeed We find Mr. Coombs procured satisfaction for, but not for the Rice, as it was represented the want could not be fixed upon any body, there likewise appears on your Consultations of the 24 August a great deficiency in the Salt Consigned to Moco Moco on the Louisa, some other deficiencys appear, though not so considerable as in the above Instances, We are persuaded they are occasioned by Pilferage, from want of proper Care in some of our Servants, you must therefore give such Directions upon the delivery or Shipping such kind of Goods as will prevent the same for the future.

14. The Storekeepers on the 14th. November Reported that the Salt by the Benjamin turned out Ninety six Bags short of Invoice, and that above half the remaining Baggs were in a very bad Condition, some of them but half full, upon reading the said Report without giving any Reasons you ordered the deficiency to be wrote off, this was very careless, a strict enquiry ought to have been made as to the occasion of so great a deficiency, and the Owners of the Ship made accountable for it by endorsing it off the Bill of Lading.

15. You have omited to send this Year an Account of the Remains of Stores, which on no pretence must be neglected for the future, and We direct that in all future Accounts the several Articles be Methodically ranged under distinct Heads, such as Guns—Garrison Stores—Anchors—Grapnells—Cordage—Ironmongers Ware &ca. And that your Indents be made at the same time and framed to Correspond in all respects with the said Accounts of Remains—And the better to explain our meaning, We have transmited you a proper form which must be strictly observed in framing all your future Accounts of Remains of Stores.

16. We must submit to the disappointment of not receiving the Quantity of Pepper We had great reason to expect from the flourishing Condition the whole Country was represented to be in the former Season, as the raging of the small Pox

has in a great Measure been the occasion of it, but as it appears likewise there has been a considerable Decrease in several parts which you could not account for, you must make a strict enquiry into the Reasons thereof, and communicate them to Us in your next Advices, and We direct that upon all occasions you use your utmost Endeavours to encrease the Quantity of Pepper, by directing frequent Surveys, encouraging the Industrious, shewing your Resentment to the Negligent, and by using every other Method that may conduce thereto.

17. We approve of the Method taken to Encourage the Planters at Marang, in sending a Boat to bring their Pepper to Poolo Pesang, by the Resident's Agreeing the first Trip should be at the Companys Risque, and the more so, as it appears by this Tryal the Navigation to that Place is not found so difficult as was imagined.

18. Your sending Us an Account of the late Cruel and Extraordinary Behaviour of the Dutch upon the West Coast of Sumatra in a seperate Address, meets with our approbation, We have laid the same before his Majesty, together with several other Papers relating to the Pretentions they have lately set up to an exclusive Trade upon that Island, Borneo, and several other Places to which they have as little Right, And as his Majesty has been pleased to take the same under his Royal Consideration, We are satisfyed We shall have our Right to a free Trade effectually supported, and you may be assured We will Use our Utmost Endeavours to obtain satisfaction for past Injurys, We must observe to you that the Examination of the Mallay man who gave you the Information of the Massacre of the Crews of the two Praws, ought to have been taken in Council and Attested upon Oath.

19. And here it is but doing Justice to Mr. Coombs, to acquaint you that his Behaviour at Batavia on these unjust pretentions of the Dutch, has been very much to our satisfaction.

20. The Portfield Captain Carteret LeGeyt Commander, after delivering Treasure and Goods at Fort St. David, is directed to proceed directly to Benjar, not so much with a view of getting a Loading for Canton (though We hope that is not impracticable) as to assert our Right to a Free Trade at that Port, the Supra Cargos We have appointed for that Ship are Messieurs Mordecai Walker, Francis Muriell, and James Waller.

21. We observe your several Transactions with the Neighbouring Sultans, Pangarans and others, and recommend the keeping up a good Harmony with them all, as most Conducive to our General Interest, and if at any time you are obliged to come to Extremitys, to use your utmost Prudence therein.

22. We are very well assured that the Transaction of Churchey, and Jones, with regard to the Prince of Madura was a most Iniquitous one, and are convinced if you had been as strict in your enquiry as the Case required it would have so plainly appeared that you would have obliged them to make a Restitution of their illgotten Wealth.

23. We must submit to the Expence of the necessary Buildings, and Repairs mentioned in your Advices, recommending however the utmost Frugality therein, But We positively direct that you do not set about any expensive Works without express leave from Us.

24. We likewise recommend the greatest Frugality and Care to keep the several branches of your Expences within reasonable bounds, as they at present run too high for the returns from your Settlements, We observe the Expences for the Year 1748 exceed the preceeding Years Two Thousand five hundred and forty six Dollars, One Sooco and Ninety two Cash.

25. We approve of the Orders you gave on your being acquainted of a Deficiency in the Cash at Croce, upon the coming away of the late Chief Mr. Christie, by directing for the future that the next in standing should have a Key to it as well as the Chief, the like must be done at every other Subordinate Settlement.

26. It is with great Concern We observe the fatal Decrease of our Covenant Servants, Soldiery, and Slaves, in a great Measure occasioned by that raging Distemper the small Pox, in order therefore that you may have a sufficient Number of Covenant

Servants to carry on the Business, We have appointed M^r. John Goodwin a Factor on your Establishment, and as he has faithfully and diligently served Us many Years in several Stations at S^t. Helena, and was of Council until We thought proper to put it on a different footing, We therefore direct that he be stationed next below the Youngest in Council at the time of his Arrival, and that he do succeed to the Council upon the first Vacancy, and We take this occasion of assuring you that it is much against our Inclination, to break into the Regular Succession of our Servants, except in such an Extraordinary Instance as this; M^r. Goodwin must execute the enclosed Covenants and write to his Friends in England to give the usual Security.

27. We have likewise appointed the undermentioned Factors upon your Establishment, who are to take their standing as such upon their Arrival in the order We have Ranked them Viz^t. William Teshmaker, Alexander Forbes, John Garnsey, Robert Swinton, Thomas Paget and James Stephans.

28. M^r. Goodwin as well as the above persons take their Passage on the Suffolk.

29. Having thus supplyed you with Covenant Servants, all Monthly Writers are to be discharged.

30. We approve your filling up the Vacancys in Council from time to time with the next in standing, unless their Circumstances and Behaviour are such as may render them unfit for that Station.

31. As M^r. Hampton did not Arrive at Fort Marlborough untill November 1747 and did not leave Bengal until he had our Express Orders for that purpose, We therefore direct that he be stationed next after M^r. Le Merchant, and We hereby positively forbid your giving any of our Servants any part of their Contracted time for the future.

32. We have lent John Garnsey whom We have appointed a Factor as beforementioned the sum of Fifty pounds to be repaid out of his growing Salary, according to the Tenour of the enclosed Bond.

33. We have entertained Samuel Gardner who takes his passage on this Ship, to serve Five Years as a Mason and Bricklayer at the Pay of Ten Dollars a Month, to commence on his Arrival, let Us know whether he behaves to your Satisfaction.

34. And here We must observe that you have encreased the Pay of George Dobbinson a Bricklayer with you, from fifteen to Twenty Dollars a Month, We hope he is what you represent him, a very capable and Industrious Man, if so We acquiesce in what you have done, though We think it is a large Allowance.

35. We refer you to our Letter by the Swallow, a Copy of which is enclosed and which will probably come to your hands before the Original, for the care We have taken to recruit your Number of Slaves, upon the Arrival of which We direct that the best of them be trained to the Military Exercise, as We are well assured they will be very Usefull to Us both as Soldiers and Labourers.

36. For this Reason as well as that We expect to be acquainted that some of the Soldiery which Arrived at Fort S^t. David under the Command of Admiral Boscawen, have been forwarded to you by the President and Council, We have sent no Recruits this season.

37. We acquiesce in the writing off the large deficiency of Eleven Tons, One Quarter and Eighteen Pounds of Pepper in the Godown for the reasons you give, though We cannot help observing what is mentioned upon your Consultations, that no true Account of Remains had been taken for several Years, which is a Neglect that We hope and direct you will never suffer for the future.

38. Your Consultations Received by the Godolphin have no Marginal Notes or Index, they must never go out of your hands in so Negligent a manner for the future.

39. Nor the Books of Letters received and sent which are carelessly copyed many of the Letters without Dates, and not Indext.

40. There is a Mistake in your General Books received by the Godolphin in the Article of Proffit and Loss as will appear by our Auditors Remarks in this Packet, you are to direct the Accountant to rectify the same, and as it affects the Ballance of your Books you must by the next Conveyance let Us have a Copy of such rectifycd Account.

41. You have omited in your Letter by the Godolphin to mention the Dates of the Certificates for Money paid into Cash, in which particular you must for the future be more carefull.

42. Upon transmiting your Yearly Muster Roll of the Military, you must for the future incert therein a List of the People Dead Run or Discharged since the last was sent, with the particular Time against each Name when they Dyed, Run or were Discharged, which is to be signed by the proper Officer.

43. Captain Stephens of the Godolphin has delivered to Us the Plank of Bencoolen Wood which he fastened to the Rudder, it appears quite free from the Worm, as does likewise a small piece which was upon his Pinnace's Scagg six Weeks, during which time the bottom was eat in several Places, and We think it a very proper Wood to be used for Sheathing.

44. From the Receipt of this Letter you are to make no Contracts for, or purchases of Tea, nothwithstanding any former Orders We may have given.

45. If Mr. Wadman died Intestate, as his Friends represent to Us they have great reason to believe, We direct that the produce of his Effects be paid into our Cash, and that Certifficates be granted for the amount, payable to such person or persons as shall be legally Authorized to receive the same.

46. We direct that for the future you send at the same time with your Annual Indent for Medecines and Drugs, a List of all the Surgeons Instruments and Utensils belonging to the Company then remaining.

We are

LONDON 8 DECEMBER 1749. Your Loving Friends

CHAS. CUTTS.	WM. BAKER.
NICHS. LINWOOD.	RD. CHAUNCY.
JAMES CREED.	R. DRAKE.
JOHN THORNTON.	W. MABBOTT.
R. BOOTLE.	SAM: FEAKE.
STEPHEN LAW.	J. RAYMOND.
JOHN PAYNE.	P. GODFREY.
CHAS. GOUGH.	J. WINTER.
THOS. PHIPPS.	W. WILLY.
ABEL FONNEREAU.	WHICHCOTT TURNER.

JOHN HOPE.

No. 20.

1749.

A MANIFEST GOODS & MERCHANDIZE LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP SWALLOW CAPTAIN JOHN BELL COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT SAINT DAVID BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZT.

4B ... CAPTAIN JOHN BELL.

No. 1 a 2	Two Casks Wrot. Iron, Seventy Two Iron Potts	£	40	—	—
1	One Hogshead Braziery		60	—	—
1 a 2	Two Chests Glass Beads		20	—	—

4 B & T. P.	Two Chests Cutlery Ware	£ 70	—	—
4. B 1 a 6	Six Chests Small Arms	100	—	—
...	One Case Looking Glass	10	—	—
1 a 2	Two Bales Ticklenburgh	50	—	—
1 a 40	Forty Caggs Lead Shott q^{t}. One Ton ...	15	—	—
...	Sixty Pieces Lead q^{t}. Four Tons ...	50	—	—

T.R. THOMAS ROUCHEAD 1st. MATE.

1	One Barrel Braziery	20	—	—
1	One Chest Glass Beads	10	—	—
1	One Cask Lead Shott q^{t}. Five Hundred W^{t}. ...	4	—	—

J.C. JOHN CLEUGH 2^{d}. D^{o}.

...	One Case Looking Glass	10	—	—
1	One Chest Glass Beads	10	—	—
1. a 2	Two Casks Lead Shott Six Hundred W^{t}. ...	6	—	—

T.P. THOMAS PRICE SURGEON.

...	One Case Looking Glass	9	—	—

J.B. CAPTAIN JOHN BELL.

1 a 12	Twelve Half Barrells Gunpowder ...	21	—	—
	On their Indulgences.			

EAST INDIA HOUSE, H^{Y}. CRABB BOULTON.
LONDON 10TH. OCTOBER 1749.

No. 21.

1749.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS, MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENS'D BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP PRINCE EDWARD CAPTAIN ROBERT HALDANE COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT S^{T}. DAVID BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ^{T}.

R.H. CAPTAIN ROBERT HALDANE.

N°. 1 a 2	Two Cases Camblets	£ 500	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Amber	700	—	—
1 a 2	Two Boxes Gold Thread & Lace ...	1100	—	—
1 a 12	Twelve Roles Sheet Lead q^{t}. Four tons.	60	—	—
...	Two Hundred & Ninety Three Bars Iron q^{t}. Five Tons	60	—	—
1 a 3	Three Cases Prints	50	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Plate Glass	100	—	—
1 a 2 & 1 a 2	Two Chests & Two half D^{o}. Wine ...	75	—	—
1 a 160	One Hundred & Sixty Half Faggotts Steel q^{t}. Four Tons	70	—	—
...	In Foreign Silver	285	—	—

... In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ... £ 499 — —

Mr. Robert Veitch 1st. Mate.

... In Foreign Silver ... ... 298 10 —

Mr. Lorenzo Collins 2d. Do.

... In Foreign Silver ... ... 198 — —

T.C. Mr. Thomas Cheap 4ths. Do.

1 One Chest Cutlery ... . 30 — —
1 One Box Gold Thread & Lace ... ... 69 — —
On their Indulgences.

Directed Mr. Wright to Charles Floyer Esqr.

No. 3 a 4 Two Chests Wine ... ... £[...]

Directed Do. to J. Fowke Esqr.

2 One Chest Wine ... . 25 — —

Directed Admiral Boscawen to Charles Floyer Esqr.

1 a 3 One Case & Two Bundles qt. a Chaize & furniture ... ...

Directed Francis Magnus to John Pybus.

... One Hhd. Beer, One Case Apparel & Necessaries with 30 Yds. Gold & Silver Lace, a bridle & Saddle ... ...

... Freight Free being for the Use of the Abovementioned Persons at Fort Saint David.

Mr. David De Castro.

M C ‡ B. 3 One Chest Coral Beads ... ... 420 — —
‡ B C 14 One Chest Do. ... ... 610 — —
‡ P. 2 One Chest Do. ... ... 125 — —
... On which he has paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury and given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.

East India House
London the 16th. December 1749. Hy. Crabb Boulton.

No. 22.

A Manifest of Goods, Merchandize & Foreign Silver licensed by the Committee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of the United East India Company laden on board the Ship Grantham Captain Walter Wilson Commander bound for Fort St. David by the several persons as follows Vizt.

W.W. Captain Walter Wilson.

No. 1 a 2 Two Cases Callimanco's & Camblets ... £ 500 — —
1 a 2 & 1 a 5 Seven Cases Looking Glass & Glass Ware ... ... 150 — —
1 a 5 Five Cases Clocks ... ... 140 — —

		£	s	d
......	Six Bags Shreds Cloth	£100	—	—
1 a 12	Twelve Roles Sheet Lead q[t]. Four Tons	70	—	—
1	One Barrell Smalts	70	—	—
N°. ST.B.	One Case Ginsing	208	—	—
	One Case q[t]. Six Remnants Cloth Six Yards Each	30	—	—
	In Foreign Silver	1500	—	—
	On his Indulgence			
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	499	—	—
	JOHN OLIVER 1ST. MATE.			
A.W.L.	One Box Gold Thread	100	—	—
4 O N°. 1	One Chest Cutlery	40	—	—
	RICHARD LEWIN 2[D]. D°.			
A.W.L.	One Box Gold Thread	100	—	—
R L. N°. 1 a 2	Two Chests Cutlery	40	—	—
	On their Indulgence			
G.K.	GEORGE KENT THIRD MATE.			
N°. 1 a 2	Two Cases Looking Glass	60	—	—
3	One Case Table Clocks	45	—	—
I.C.	JAMES COLLINSON PURSER.			
2 a 3	Two Half Chests Wine	10	—	—
......	Three Cases & One Hh'd Glass Ware...	18	—	—
7	One Box Stationary	8	—	—
A 4 W	ALEXANDER WOOD SURGEON.			
1	One Chest Cutlery	24	—	—
W.	One Box Gold Thread	50	—	—
T.E.	TRISTRAM EVEREST 5TH. MATE.			
1	One Chest Cutlery	20	—	—
	On their Indulgence			
Directed	JN°. TURNER TO GOV[R]. FLOYER.			
N°. 1 a 4	Four Chests Wine	100	—	—
Directed	JOHN STARKE TO RICHARD STARKE.			
......	One Box Books Freight Free being for the Use of the abovementioned persons at Fort Saint David.			
	M[R]. NICHOLAS CRISPE.			
TNC. 1	One box Coral beads	400	—	—
	THOMAS GODFREY Esq[r].			
1	One Case Coral Beads	1328	—	—
	On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury, and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.			

Mr. Matthews Beachcroft.

V N. 15	One Chest Coral Beads	£ 490	—	—

Mr. Joseph Salvador.

1	One Box Coral Beads	1450	—	—
2	One do.	465	—	—
	On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury, and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.			

East India House,
London the 9th. December 1749.

Hy. Crabb Boulton.

No. 23.

A Manifest of Goods, Merchandize & Foreign Silver licensed by the Committee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of the United East India Company laden on board the Ship York Captain Edward Ward Commander bound for Fort Saint David by the several Persons as follows Vizt.

E.W.	Captain Edward Ward.			
No. 6 a 7	Two Cases Saffron	£ 200	—	—
4 a 5	Two Cases Coral	500	—	—
1 a 15	Fifteen Hh'ds Ruinus	150	—	—
1 a 6	Six Barrells Cochineal	150	—	—
1 a 2	Two Barrells Smalts	50	—	—
8	One Chest Amber Beads	100	—	—
......	Two Cases Clocks, Two Cases & Four Chests L Glass & Glass Ware ...	400	—	—
......	One Box Gold & Silver Thread ...	90	—	—
1	One Chest Cutlery	50	—	—
1 a 2	Two Bales Blanketts	100	—	—
1 a 2	Two Bales Canvas	120	—	—
1 a 20	Twenty Barrels Pitch & Tar	20	—	—
1 a 12	Twelve Roles Sheet Lead qt. Four Tons	60	—	—
......	One Case qt. Six Remnants Cloth Six Yds. Each	30	—	—
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	499	—	—

I C	Mr. John Corner 1st. Mate.			
1 a 3	Two Chests & half Wine	30	—	—
4 a 5	Two Barrels Smalts	50	—	—
6	One Cask Vermillion	40	—	—
7	One Box Amber Beads	30	—	—

On their Indulgence

‡ W	Mr. John Williams 2d. Mate.	
......	Three Bags Shreds Cloth	£ 60 — —
No. 1	One Chest Cutlery	40 — —
......	One Case & a Box Hatts	50 — —
G.F.	Mr. John Fitz Gerald 3d. Do.	
1	One Barrel Cutlery	20 — —
[...] G 4 a 8	Five Barrells Cheese	7 — —
......	One Hh'd Hatts	15 — —
P.L.	Mr. Peter Lascelles 4th. Do.	
1	One Chest Cutlery	30 — —
......	One Case Hatts	40 — —
......	Two Bags Shreds Cloth...	29 — —
T.F.	Mr. Tristram Fenwick Purser.	
1	One Chest Cutlery	30 — —
1 a 4	Four Casks Red Herrings	6 — —
A.Q.	Mr. Andrew Quick 5th. Mate.	
1 a 2	Two Bags Shreds of Cloth	30 — —
1	One Chest Cutlery	16 — —
T.D.	Mr. Thomas Dale Midshipman.	
......	One Cask and a Box Hatts	10 — —
1 a 3	Three Casks Cheese	6 — —
	On their Indulgence	
Directed	Mr. Wright to Charles Floyer Esqr.	
No. 1 a 2	Two Chests Wine	50 — —
Directed	Do. to J Fowke Esqr.	
1	One Chest Wine	25 — —
Directed	Mr. Lemaitre to Captn. De Ginnins.	
1 a 2	Two Chests Wine	50 — —
Directed	Mr. Watts to Henry Vansittart.	
......	One Box Apparel & Books	10 — —
	Freight Free being for the Use of the abovementioned Persons at Fort Saint David.	
	Mr. David De Castro.	
‡ P 1	One Chest Coral Beads	340 — —
Æ D 3	One Do.	550 — —
M C ‡ B 4	One Do.	300 — —
	Mr. Matthews Beachcroft.	
V N 14	One Chest Coral Beads	937 — —

M^R^. ABR^A^. FERNANDES NUNES.

₦ 2	One Chest Coral Beads and broken Coral	£ 610	—	—
	On which they have paid ffreight & permission into the Companys Treasury and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.			

EAST INDIA HOUSE
LONDON the 16TH. DECEM^R^. 1749.

H^T^. CRABB BOULTON.

No. 24.

A MANIFEST GOODS, MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP PORTFIELD CAPTAIN CARTERET LE GEYT COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT SAINT DAVID BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ^T^.

C. L.	CARTERET LE GEYT			
......	Ten Half Barrells & Sixty Quarter Barrells Gunpowder	£ 70	—	—
1 a 7 & 6 a 8	Ten chests Small Arms	200	—	—
......	Twenty Swivel Guns, 1 Ea. & Three Hundred half pound Shott	17	10	—
......	One Cable, Three Hawsers, & Seventeen Coils Cordage 8 Tons	160	—	—
1 a 3	Three Chests Cutlery	100	—	—
1 a 7 & 1 a 8	Seven Roles Sheet Lead, & Eight Casks Lead Shott q^t^. 4 Tons	54	—	—
1 a 20	Twenty Barrells Tar	20	—	—
1 a 6	Six Chests Glass Beads	100	—	—
1 a 3	Three Bales Ticklenburgh & Canvas ...	75	—	—
1 a 4 & 1 a 2	Six Cases Looking Glass	100	—	—
2 a 3	Two Hh'ds Glass Ware	30	—	—
......	One Box Hatts	20	—	—
1 a 2	Two Boxes Gold Thread & Lace ...	300	—	—
......	Sixty Four Bundles Iron Hoops q^t^. Two Tons	30	—	—
......	One Box Coral	100	—	—
1 a 3	Three Cases Saffron	200	—	—
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	400	—	—
B.G.	M^R^. BENJAMIN GODFREY 1ST. MATE			
1 a 2	Two Chests Clarett	40	—	—
1 : 1 a 2	Three Chests Beer	15	—	—
1	One Chest Cutlery	20	—	—
1	One Bale Canvas	20	—	—
	On their Indulgences			

		£		
F V	**Frederick Vincent 2d. Mate.**			
No. 1	One Bale Ticklenburgh	£ 30	—	—
1	One Case Cutlery	38	—	—
......	One Box Hatts	10	—	—
1 a 2	Two Chests Clarett	40	—	—
T.F.	**Thomas French 4th Do.**			
1	One Chest Beer	5	—	—
1	One Cask Pewter	15	—	—
3	One Box Cutlery	13	—	—
R.T.	**Robert Tidmas Purser.**			
1 a 2	Two Chests Ale	10	—	—
1	One Half Chest Wine	6	—	—
......	One Box Camblets	30	—	—
W Mc A	**Willm. Mc. Adam Surgeon.**			
1	One Half Chest Oyl	6	—	—
W.H.	One Box Hatts	15	—	—
W.Mc.A.	One Case Tobacco	8	—	—

... On their Indulgences

		£		
	Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco.			
F.F. 7	One Case Coral Beads	770	—	—
do. 8	One do.	810	—	—
F4F { 7	One do.	750	—	—
F4F { 8	One do.	820	—	—
M 1	One do.	460	—	—
F ꓕ M 31	One do.	900	—	—
	Mr. George Challoner.			
ꓕ F 1	One Chest Coral Beads	1300	—	—
	Mr. Thomas Godfrey.			
TG { 3	One Chest Coral Beads	681	—	—
TG { 4	One do.	679	—	—

On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury, and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

		£		
	Mr. Joseph Salvador.			
R E. { 3	One Box Coral Beads	475	—	—
R E. { 6	One do.	400	—	—
S F. { 1	One do.	755	—	—
S F. { 2	One do.	1045	—	—
	Mr. Judah Supino.			
♥ { 2	One Box Coral Beads	535	—	—
♥ { 3	One do.	480	—	—
R E. 4	One do.	350	—	—
XS. 1	One do.	120	—	—

		MR. HENRY ISACC.			
H I.	1	One Chest Coral Beads	£ 455	—	—
		MR. ABRAHAM FERNANDES NUNES.			
NF	1	One Chest Coral Beads	645	—	—
		MR. JACOB DIAS.			
[illegible]	1	One Chest Coral Beads	400	—	—
		MR. NATAL LEVI SENSINO.			
RE.	5	One Box Coral beads	400	—	—
		MR. DAVID DE CASTRO.			
B	1	One Chest Coral Beads	770	—	—
AMDC	1	One d°.	900	—	—
DM.	1	One d°.	100	—	—
IBC.	9	One d°.	625	—	—
d°.	10	One d°.	460	—	—
d°.	11	One d°.	600	—	—
BM	1	One d°.	430	—	—
S B.	1	One d°. Bugles ... 50	100	—	—
	2	One d°. d°. ... 50			

On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury & given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.

EAST INDIA HOUSE,
LONDON THE 4TH. NOVEMR. 1749.

HY. CRABB BOULTON.

No. 25.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP NORFOLK CAPTAIN NATHANIEL HANCOCK COMMANDER BOUND TO THE COAST & BAY BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZT.

N H.		CAPTAIN NATHANIEL HANCOCK.			
	N°. 1 a 2	Two Bales Blankets	£ 35	—	—
	1 a 8	Eight Casks Lump Glass	170	—	—
	1 a 11	Eleven Roles Sheet Lead qt. Four Tons.	60	—	—
	1 a 100	One Hundred Barrells Tar	80	—	—
	1. 1 a 6	Six Cases & One Hh'd Looking Glass & Glass Ware	110	—	—
	2. 3. 3. 4	Four Bales Canvas	80	—	—
	1 a 8	Eight Chests Small Arms	80	—	—
	1 a 2	Two Cases Sword Blades	90	—	—
	1	One Cask Sadlery	13	—	—
	1	One Box Hatts	25	—	—
		Four Casks Corks	60	—	—
	1	One Box Coral	500	—	—
		On his Indulgence			
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	499	—	—

R.S.	Mr. Robert Shaw 1st Mate.			
1	One Chest Glass Ware	£15	—	—
	Five Chests Beer	25	—	—
1 a 2	Two Chests Wine	20	—	—
JL.	Mr. James Lindsay 2d. Do.			
1 a 3	Three Chests Beer...	15	—	—
1	One Box Tobacco & Snuff	10	—	—
	On their Indulgence			
A.H.	Mr. Alexander Hay 3d. Mate.			
1 a 2	Two Chests Wine	50	—	—
1	One Hh'd Glass Ware & Corks ...	20	—	—
	Two Cases Pickles	8	—	—
J A	Mr. John Allen 4th. Mate.			
1	One Case Glass Ware	£ 2	—	—
	One Half Chest Beer	3	—	—
	One Case Pictures	6	—	—
	One Box qt. a Clock	12	—	—
1	One half Chest Wine	7	—	—
2	One Box Pipes	1	—	—
JB S	Mr. John Brittain Surgeon.			
	One Case Medicines	10	—	—
	One Box Cutlery	15	—	—
	On their Indulgence			

East India House

London the 10th. January 1749.

Henr. Crabb Boulton.

No. 26.

A Manifest of Goods, Merchandize & Foreign Silver licensed by the Committee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of the United East India Company laden on board the Ship Kent Captain William Robson Commander bound for the Coast & Bay by the Several Persons as follows Vizt.

W.R.	Capt. Will: Robson.			
No. 7	One Case Camblets Allepeens & Stockings	£ 156	—	—
1 a 11	Eleven Roles Sheet Lead qt. Four Tons.	60	—	—
1	One Cable & Ten Coils Cordage qt. Three Tons Eightn. Hundd.	120	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Prints	50	—	—
1 a 2	Two Casks White Lead qt. 17 Wt. ...	20	—	—
1 a 8	Six Barrells & Two Cases Glass Ware.	180	—	—
1 a 50	Fifty Barrells Pitch & Tarr	46	—	—
1	One Box Gold Thread	500	—	—
1 a 3	Three Cases Looking Glass	50	—	—
3 a 4	Two Bales Canvas	80	—	—

1 a 6 & 1 a 4	Ten Chests Wine	£ 250	—	—
1 a 2	Two Barrells Snuff	25	—	—
1 a 3	Three Chests Small Arms	40	—	—
1 a 10	Ten Kegs Vermillion	500	—	—
	One Hundred & Sixty Half Faggots Steel q. tg. Four Tons	60	—	—
1	One Chest Cutlery	40	—	—
1 a 4	Four Boxes Clock Work	30	—	—
	On his Indulgence.			
	In foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	499	—	—
D H	Mr. David Harrison 1st. Mate.			
1 a 6	Two Chests & four half Chests Wine ...	40	—	—
1 a 11	Eleven Casks Red & White Lead q^t. rg. ... ... One Ton	20	—	—
7	One Box Amber Beads	20	—	—
	On his Indulgence			
G.W.	Mr. George Wilson 2d. Mate.			
No. 1 a 3	Two Hhds and one barrel Glass Ware.	30	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Looking Glass	40	—	—
1	One half Chest Wine	6	—	—
1	One Chest Cutlery	30	—	—
I.W.	Mr. James Ward 3d. Do.			
1 a 2	Two Cases Glass Ware	50	—	—
4	One Case Looking Glass	20	—	—
5	One Case Pictures	10	—	—
IC	Mr. John Taylor 4th. Do.			
	Two Hhds Glass Ware	20	—	—
J.P.	Mr. John Page Surgeon.			
1	One Case Stationary	18	—	—
......	One Barrell Glass Ware	6	—	—
1	One Case Sadlery	30	—	—
1	One Barrell Medicines	20	—	—
	Mr. William Mc. Credie Surgeons Mate..			
WMR.				
1	One Chest Cutlery	20	—	—
2	One Box Hatts	10	—	—
	On their Indulgence			
Directed.	Yuyr Burges to John Brown.			
......	One half Chest Beer	3	—	—
Directed.	Henry Sisson to John Sisson.			
1	One Chest Wine	10	—	—
2	One Chest Beer	5	—	—

Freight free being for the Use of the abovementiond Persons at Bengal.

Directed. MESSRS. CRISP TO THOMAS COATES.
N 1 a 2 Two Chests Wine.

R D. ROGER DRAKE TO ROGER DRAKE.
1 a 2 Two Chest Rum & Cyder.
3 One Chest Sweet Herbs.

Directed. ROBERT CLIFF TO EDWD. HOLDEN CRUTTENDON.
1 a 2 Two Cases Apparel & Books.
3 a 4 Two Chests Wine.

Directed. CAPTN BODDAM TO THOMAS BODDAM.
1 a 2 Two Chests Wine.

Directed. MRS COURT TO RICHARD COURT.
1 a 2 Two Chest Wine.

Directed. MR. VERELST TO HENRY VERELST.
1 One Chest Wine.

JOHN STRAW TO JNO. ZEPHA. HOLWELL.
I Z H.
1 a 3 Three Boxes Medecines.

Directed. HENRY LASCELLES ESQR. TO EDWD. LASCELLES.
3 One Chest Wine.

Directed. CAPTN JOHN READ TO MAJOR MOSMAN.
3 a 5 Three Chests Wine.

Directed. WILLIAM DAVIS TO ADAM DAWSON ESQR.
5 a 8 Four Chests Wine.

Directed. HUMPHRY COATES TO REVD. MR. ROBT. MAPLETOFT.
1 One Chest Wine.

Directed. MR. FOWLE TO MR. BEEHER.
...... One Box qts. a Pair Boots & a Bridle

Freight free being for the use of the abovementd. Persons at Bengal.

THOMAS POMFRETT TO THE REVD. MR. BELLAMY.
Directed. One Box qts. Prints & Mapps wth. a Bible.

MR. WOOD TO MRS. KNIPE.
Directed. One Trunk Apparel & Necessaries.

RICHARD EYRE TO ROBERT EYRE.
Directed. One Case Pickles & Dry'd Herbs.

Freight free being for the Use of the abovementiond Persons at Bengal.

Mr. David Harrison 1st. Mate.

D H N 1 @ 2		Two Kegs Vermillion			
		On his Indulgence			

Directed. Messrs. Bevan to Capn. Walter Wilson at Ft. St. David.

……		One Case Ginsing … … …	50	—	—
		Freight free being for his own Use			

Mr. Joseph Salvador.

F L S	3	One Box Coral Beads … … …	185	—	—
ł F	1	One Box do. … … …	550	—	—
S F B	3	One Box do. … … …	320	—	—
	4	One Box do. … … …	320	—	—
✡	1	One Box do. … … …	435	—	—
E	1	One Box do. … … …	525	—	—
ME	1	One Box Ostrich Feathers … …	25	—	—

Mr. George Challoner.

ł F	4	One Chest Coral Beads … … …	700	—	—

Mr. Abraham Fernandes Nunes.

NF	3	One Chest Coral Beads… … …	175	—	—

Mr. David De Castro.

ł B C	20	One Chest Coral Beads … … …	150	—	—
	21	One Chest do. … … …	980	—	—
AD	4	One Chest do. … … …	915	—	—
S B	1	One Chest do. … … …	525	—	—
		One which they have paid Freight & Permission into the Company's Treasury and given bond pursuant to Order of Court			

SHIP KENT.

Thomas Godfrey Esqr.

TG	5	One Case Coral Beads … … …	£800	—	—

Mr. Lewis Mendes.

No. L M	1	One Chest Coral Beads… … …	841	—	—

Mr. Natal Levi Sensino.

B N S	2	One Chest Coral Beads… … …	350	—	—

Messrs. Abraham & Jacob Franco.

✡	7	One Case Coral Beads … … …	850	—	—
	8	One Case do. … … …	1525	—	—
M ł	17	One Case do. … … …	350	—	—
F ł D	41	One Case do. … … …	645	—	—
F F	10	One Case do. … … …	675	—	—

Mr. RICHARD BARWELL FFOR BENGAL.

R B } 1	One Case Coral Beads	£1010	— —
2	D°. d°.	1090	— —

Mr. JOSEPH SALVADOR FFOR BENGAL.

E 2	One Case Coral Beads	80	— —
✡ 2	One box [Coral Beads]...	190	— —

Mr. DAVID DE CASTRO FFOR BENGAL.

M DC 2	One Chest Amber Beads	420	— —
DB 2	One Chest Coral Beads	185	— —

On which they have paid ffreight and permission into the Companys Treasury and given bond pursuant to the order of Court

EAST INDIA HOUSE
LONDON THE 23 JANUARY 1749.

Hy. CRABB BOULTON.

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No. 27.

1749

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP LONDON CAPTAIN WILLIAM SEDGWICK COMMANDER BOUND FOR THE COAST & BAY BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZt.

CAPT. WILLIAM SEDGWICK.

W & S No. 1 a 85	Eighty-five Keggs Steel—qt. Four Tons	£112	— —
1 a 30	Thirty Casks Wrot. Iron. qt. Two Tons & half	100	— —
. . . .	Eleven Hh'ds Madder	150	— —
1 a 2	Two Boxes Gold thread & Lace ...	600	— —
1 a 4	Four Bales Blankets	65	— —
1 a 15	Fifteen Coils Cordage qt. Two Tons 17 : Wt. (c)	100	— —
3 a 5 & 1 a 3	One Hh'd, three Quarr. Cask & Two half Chests Wine	70	— —
5 a 10	Six Bales of Canvass	260	— —
1 a 6	Six Chests Trading Guns	130	— —
1 a 11	Eleven Roles Sheet Lead. qt. Four Tons	58	— —
. . . .	Four Hh'ds Six Barrels Five Cases & Four Boxes LG & Glassware ...	246	— —
1	One Cask Cochineal	120	— —
. . . .	One Case & One Hogshead Shipchandlery	60	— —
1	One Case Hosiery	100	— —
1 a 2	Two Casks Sadlery	20	— —
1 a 2	Two Chests Cutlery	200	— —

1 a 60	Sixty Barrels Pitch & Tar	£40	—	—
1	One Chest Saffron	100	—	—
1	One Box Irish Linnen	20	—	—
	On his Indulgence			
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	499	—	—
RI-A	Mr. Rich'd Allwright 1st. Mate.			
......	Two Hh'ds, One Barrel Glass Ware, Lantborns & Corks	30	—	—
1	One Chest Wine	25	—	—
	Two Cases Looking Glass	28	—	—
C. I	Mr. Cornelius Inglish 2d. Do. ...			
1	One Chest Cutlery	50	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Looking Glass	50	—	—
1 a 2	Two Half Chest Wine	25	—	—
1 a 4	Four Barrells Glass Ware	50	—	—
G. L.	Mr. George Lethieullier 3d. Do.			
1	One Box Gold Thread	148	—	—
TS	Mr. Thomas Stringer Purser.			
......	Two Cases, One Barrel & Two Boxes Looking Glass & Glass Ware ...	63	—	—
1	One Chest Pickles	10	—	—
I.I	Mr. John Isherwood Surgeon.			
1	One Case Looking Glass	20	—	—
......	One Box Snuff	5	—	—
......	One Box Haberdashery	24	—	—
I R A 1	One Chest Cutlery	25	—	—
R W	Mr. Richard Wiltshire Midshipman.			
1	One Chest Wine	25	—	—
I S	Mr. John Swain Do.			
2	One Chest Wine	25	—	—
C S	Mr Collin Simson Surgeon's Mate.			
1	One Chest Cutlery	25	—	—
2	One Box Hatts	6	—	—
	On their Indulgences.			
Directed	Govr. Benyon to William Fytche Esqr.			
......	One Case Millenary & Haberdashry wth. some Pickles			
S.L	Richard Boddicoate to Stephen Lightfoot.			
No. 1 a 2	One Chest & a Hh'd Medicines ...			
Directed	John Wright to Adam Dawson Esqr.			
1	One Chest Wine			

Directed		JOHN WRIGHT TO WILLIAM KEMPE ESQ[R].		
	1 a 3	Three Chests Wyne		
	4	One Case Apparel		
		Freight Free being for the Use of the abovemention'd Persons at Bengal		
		WILLIAM WATTS TO THE ENGLISH AND DUTCH MESIONARIES.		
D.M	N°. 1 a 5	Two Cases Stationary and Books, Three Chests Beer		
	6 a 7	Two Cheeses in Lead		
E.M	8 a 11	Two Chests Beer, Two Cheeses in Lead.		
	12	One Case Stationary & Books		
Directed		FRANCIS MAGNUS TO JOHN PYBUS.		
	1 a 2	Two Chests Wine		
		Freight free being for the use of the abovemention'd person at Fort S[t]. David.		
		THOMAS GODFREY ESQ[R].		
TG	6	One Case Coral Beads	800	— —
		M[r]. DAVID DE CASTRO.		
4 B C	17	One Chest Coral Beads	540	— —
4 B C	18	One D°.	360	— —
B	1	One D°.	260	— —
M	3	One D°.	315	— —
		M[r]. JUDAH SUPINO.		
M	1	One Box Coral Beads	375	— —
ME	1	One Box d°.	190	— —
		On which they have paid ffreight and Permission into the Companys Treasury, and given Bond pursuant to Order [of Court].		
		MESS[RS]. ABRAHAM AND JACOB FRANCO.		
AF	9	One Case Coral Beads	£ 760	— —
AF	10	One d°.	780	— —
F M	3	One d°.	500	— —
F M	4	One d°.	420	— —
F M	5	One d°.	480	— —
F M	6	One d°.	820	— —
F M 4	18	One d°.	400	— —
F 4 M	33	One d°.	530	— —
F 4 D	40	One d°.	670	— —

Mr. Natal Levi Sonsino.

L.V 1 R	One Chest Coral Beads	720	—	—
C 11	One Chest d°.	400	—	—
S S 2	One Chest d°.	250	—	—

Mr. Joseph Salvador.

✡ { 3	One box Coral Beads	560	—	—
4	One box d°.	150	—	—

Mr. Joseph Salomons for Bengal.

C B S.	One Chest Coral Beads	590	—	—

Mr. David De Castro for Bengal.

I MB 4	One Chest Coral Beads	330	—	—
SB 4	One Chest D°.	150	—	—
S B 3	One Chest Bugles	190	—	—
MDC 1	One Chest Amber Beads	450	—	—

On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Company's Treasury, and given bond pursuant to Order of Court

East India House
London the 22d. January 1749. Hy. Crabb Boulton.

No. 28.

A Manifest of Goods, Merchandize, and Foreign Silver licens'd by the Committee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of the United East India Company laden on board the Ship Benjamin Captain George Meard Commander bound to Fort Saint David by the Several Persons as follows Vizt.

G.M.	Captn George Meard.			
N°. 1 a 13	Thirteen Chests Quicksilver	£ 330	—	—
	Thirteen Roles Sheet Lead qt. Four Tons	60	—	—
	Sixty Whole Faggots Steel qt. Three d°.	80	—	—
1	One Box Gold Thread	200	—	—
1 a 5	Five Hogsheads Madder Roots ...	60	—	—
1 a 8	Eight Casks Lump Glass	180	—	—
1 a 5	Five Boxes Window Glass	40	—	—
1 a 2	Two Cases Looking d°.	40	—	—
	One Case Cutlery	20	—	—
1 a 5	Five Casks Ironmonger Ware qt. One Ton	30	—	—
	Three Sets Scales with Lead Weights ...	25	—	—
1 a 5	Five Chests Wine	80	—	—
1 a 2	Two Bales Blankets	50	—	—
	Two Bundles Pump Leather	100	—	—
⚘ N°. 4	One Bale Safflower	27	—	—

		£	s	d
G M 1 a 9	Three Shroud Hawsers Six Coils Cordage qt Two Tons	£ 52	—	—
1 a 2 & 9. 10	Two Chests and Two Cases Glass Lanthorns and Drinking Glasses ...	38	—	—
	In Foreign Silver for the Ship's Stock...	350	—	—

Ɨ B — Mr. Joseph Bustoll 1st. Mate.

		£	s	d
1 : 1 : 1 a 4	Six Cases Looking Glass, Lanthorns & Glass Ware	50	—	—
1	One Case Cutlery	30	—	—
5 a 6	Two Cases Pictures	20	—	—
8	One Hh'd Tin Lanthorns	5	—	—
9	One Box Window Glass	10	—	—
	On their Indulgences			

Mr. William Gibson 2d. Mate.

		£	s	d
W G No. 1	One Box Gold Thread and Lace ...	80	—	—
1	One Case Saffron	40	—	—

Ɨ B — Mr. John Bennett 3d. Mate.

		£	s	d
3 a 4	One Barrel and a Case Glass Ware ...	28	—	—
1	One Box Gold Thread and Buttons ...	30	—	—
7	One Case stationary	5	—	—
6	One Chest Cutlery	20	—	—

Mr. Charles Maule Surgeon.

		£	s	d
Ɨ B. C.M. 1 a 2	Two Half Chests Claret	25	—	—
C.M. 4	One Case Pictures	10	—	—
	One Box Hatts	10	—	—

Mr. Matthew Silly 4th Mate.

		£	s	d
M.S.	One Box Gold Thread	30	—	—
	On their Indulgence			

Mr. Percival to Wm. Percival at Fort St. David.

		£	s	d
Directed	One Case Glass Ware	7	—	—
	Freight Free being for His own Use			

Mr. Jno. Cleremboult to Nicho. Cleremboult at Bengall.

		£	s	d
Directed	One Chest Wine	10	—	—
	Freight Free being for His own Use			

Mr. Jacob Pereira.

		£	s	d
Ɨ P No. 1	Thirty five Pearls makg. a Compleat Necklace an Error	—	—	—

Mr. Abraham Fernandes Nunes.

		£	s	d
NF 4	One Chest Coral Beads	460	—	—

Mr. David de Castro.

		£	s	d
(MF) 1	One Chest Coral Beads	450	—	—
	On which they have paid Freight and Permission into the Compy's Treasury & have given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.			

M^{R}. SOLOMON NORDON JUNIOR.

MB H 1	One Box Diamonds and Precious Stones	360	—	—

M^{R}. GEORGE CHALLONER.

4 F 5	One Case Coral Beads	900	—	—
6	One d°.	800	—	—
7	One d°.	800	—	—

On which they have paid Freight and Permission into the Company's Treasury and given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.

EASE INDIA HOUSE,
LONDON THE 30TH. MARCH 1750.

H^{Y}. CRABB BOULTON.

N°. 29.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE PRINCE EDWARD FOR FORT S^{T}. DAVIDS ON ACCO^{T}. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ^{T}.

	Oz.
The Hon . Charles Floyer Esqr.	
President One Chest C F N°. 3 q^{t}.	2000
M^{r}. Joseph Fowke One D°. I F N°. 3	1850
George Jones & Levy Moses One Chest M N°. 4 ...	2000
John Pybus a Case of Wrought Plate	665
	Oz. 6515

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA HOUSE
15 DECEM^{R}. 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

N°. 30.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE GRANTHAM FOR FORT S^{T}. DAVIDS ON ACC^{T}. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS

	Oz.		
For M^{r}. George Drake One Chest G. D. N°. 4 q^{t}.	2250	—	—
M^{r}. Samuel Greenhaugh One Chest S. G. N°. 2 ...	3656	—	—
M^{r}. Joseph Fowke for the use of M^{r}. John Holland Two Chest 4 H N°. 3 & 4	6000	—	—
The Honble. Chas. Floyer Esqr. Govr. One Chest N°. 2	2000	—	—
M^{r}. Robert Sloper One Chest R. S. N°. 2 ...	2000	—	—
M^{r}. Benjamin Robins One Chest B. R. N°. 1 ...	1039	10	—
Oz.	16945	10	—

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA H°.
7 DECEM^{R}. 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 31.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE YORK FOR FORT S^T^. DAVIDS ON ACCO^T^. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS.

For M^r^. George Drake One Chest G. D. N°. 3 . . . . q^t^. ...	Oz. 2250	—	—
The Honble. Charles Floyer Esqr. President One D^o^. C. F. N°. 4	2000	—	—
Henry Vansittart One small Bagg H. V. ...	200	—	—
George Jones & Levy Moses One Chest M. N°. 3	2000	—	—
	Oz. 6450	—	—

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA H^o^.
15 DECEM^R^. 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 32.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE KENT FOR FORT S^T^. DAVIDS ON ACCO^T^. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ^T^.

For M^r^. Charles Manningham two Baggs in Chest C. M. N°. 1	2000	—	—
Ditto for the use of John Cartier Writer for Bengal One Bagg in the same Chest	745	—	—
Ditto for the use of Francis Wollaston Writer for Bengal One Chest F. W. N°. 1	3000	—	—
Ditto & Capt. William Robson for the use of Samuel Rooper at Bengal Two Chests S. R. N°. 1 . 2	5600	—	—
Charles Floyer Esq . for the use of Eliz^a^. Beard at Bengal One Chest E. B. N°. 2	1900	—	—
Ann Carteret One Chest A. C. N°. 1	1858	10	—
John Pybus One Chest I P. N°. 1	2241	5	—
George Pigot d^o^. G. P. N°. 1	1500	—	—
Charles Manningham for the use of Omichund at Bengal Two Chests Omichund N°. 1 . 2 ...	6228	15	—
	25073	10	—

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA HOUSE
23 JAN^RY^ 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 33.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE LONDON FOR FORT ST. DAVID ON ACCOT. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZT.

For Charles Floyer Esqr. for the use of Mrs. Eliza. Beard at Bengal One Chest E B No. 1	...	1900	—	—
Philip Bulkley a Small Bagg P B ...	...	112	—	—
The Missionaries Two Chests D M Z No. 13	...	1862	10	—
. . . E M S 14	...	1862	10	—
Domingos Da Cruz One Chest D C No. 1	...	2600	—	—
	Oz	8337	—	—

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA HOUSE
23 JANRY. 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 34.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE LYNN FOR FORT ST. DAVIDS ON ACCOT. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSON VIZT.

		Ozs.	dwt.
For Mr. Joseph Fowke One Chest 4 F No. 4 qt.	...	2812	10

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA HOUSE
10TH. JANUARY 1749.

JO MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 35.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE PORTFIELD FOR FORT ST. DAVIDS ON ACCOUNT OF THE FOLLOWING PERSON VIZT.

		Ozs.	
For Mr. Joseph Fowke One Chest 4 F No. 1 : qt.	...	3000	—

BULLION OFFICE
EAST INDIA HOUSE
3d. NOVEMR. 1749.

JO. MICKLETHWAIT.

No. 36.

ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES TO CAPTAIN JOHN BELL COMMANDER, AND THOMAS ROUCHEAD CHIEF MATE OF THE SWALLOW AND TO THE COMMANDER AND CHIEF MATE FOR THE TIME BEING.

1. We the said Court of Directors Do hereby Constitute and appoint you Captain John Bell and Thomas Rouchead Our Agents for purchasing Slaves on the Island of Madagascar for the Use of Our Settlements in India and for that purpose We have laden on the Swallow Snow a proper Cargo and Consigned the same to you, as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed.

2. As We entirely depend upon your prudence and conduct in the execution of this Trust, We leave it to You to go to Such Port or Ports either on the West or East Side of the Island of Madagascar which have been usualy Resorted to for the purchase of Slaves, or any others upon the Said Island where you have reason to hope for Success:

3. You must there purchase Two Hundred and Fifty Slaves, or as many as Your Vessell can conveniently Stow One third of which are to be Women and Girls between the Ages of Fourteen Years and Eighteen, not exceeding Twenty if you can possibly help it, the other two thirds able Bodyd Men under Twenty five Years of Age and well grown Boys.

4. We have Enclosed Some Extracts from the Books of the last Ships We sent to Madagascar, of the terms of Trade then Agreed on, which will be some Guide to You in Your purchases.

5. You must purchase at Madagascar a Sufficient Quantity of Rice and Provisions for their Use upon the most reasonable Terms you can get them.

6. Treat the Natives Civilly but be constantly on your Guard to prevent any Surprize.

7. You must likewise be constantly on your Guard during the whole time the Slaves are on Board to prevent their rising upon You, but We would have them used with humanity.

8. When Your Business is compleated and the necessary Provisions are on board, You are to make the best of your way to Fort St. David on the Coast of Choromandell and deliver all the Slaves to Our President and Council of that Settlement whose Orders You are to follow for your further proceedings.

9. But as our Principal view in this voyage is to supply Our Settlements on the West Coast of Sumatra, if you find you can proceed from Madagascar in a proper Season for making a Quick passage to Fort Marlborough and the Slaves continue in good health, you are in that case to deliver them to our Deputy Governour and Council there.

10. You must then refresh your People and get your Ship ready for returning to Madagascar as soon as possible, to which Place You are hereby Directed to proceed again, and purchase another Cargo of Slaves agreable to the foregoing Directions.

11. The Second Cargo must be deliver'd at Fort St. David, but however in this You are to be Govern'd by Such Orders as You may receive from Our Servants at either of these Settlements.

12. You are by Invoice to Consign each Cargo to Our President and Council of Fort St. David, or Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlborough, and the Commander for the time being is to Sign Bills of Lading for the Same.

13. You are to keep a regular and exact Diary of all Your Transactions at Madagascar and Enter therein all such Observations as may be of Service, for the future carrying on the Slaving Trade.

14. You are also to keep an exact Account of the Disposal of the Cargo consigned to You, the purchases of the Slaves, Rice and other necessaries together with all the Charges attending the Same.

15. Copys of which Diary and Accounts signed by you both are to be deliverd to our Servants at the abovementiond Settlements, on the Delivery of each Cargo in Order to be forwarded to Us, the Originals You are to deliver to Us on Your Return to England.

16. Upon delivering Your Second Cargo of Slaves You are to follow all such Orders for your further proceedings as may be given you by Our President and Council of Fort St. David.

17. If contrary to our expectations you shall not be able to procure the Number of Slaves We have Directed in a proper Season for making a Quick passage to either of the said Settlements, You are in that Case to proceed with as many as you can get in time as a long Voyage may be very prejudicial to their health.

18. We shall give Directions to Our Servants at Fort S^t^. David and Fort Marlborough to supply you with Europeans in case You shall want any to make up Your Compliment and give You all other necessary Assistance, You must therefore make Your application to them accordingly.

19. You must as often as is necessary Examine and keep free from Rust the Small Arms as some of them will remain on board a considerable time.

20. To excite you to discharge this Commission Faithfully and diligently We shall give Directions to our Servants at Fort S^t^. David and Fort Marlborough to pay You Twenty Shillings a head for so many Slaves as shall be deliver'd alive to them, to be Divided between You in the following Proportions vizt. Two thirds to the Commander and One third to the Chief Mate.

21. And to Encourage the Surgeon to be careful of the Slaves health You may acquaint him We shall give Directions that he be paid Five Shillings a head for so many as shall be deliver'd at our Settlements in India. We are

LONDON THE 4TH. OCTOBER 1749.

Your Loving Friends

WM. WILLY.	WM. BAKER.
WM. RIDER.	R. DRAKE.
STEPN. LAW.	JOHN PAYNE.
N. NEWNHAM.	J. RAYMOND.
JAMES CREED.	W. MABBOTT.
JOHN HOPE.	THOS. PHIPPS.
CHARLES CUTTS.	JOHN THORNTON.
R. BOOTLE.	P. GODFREY.
CHARLES GOUGH.	J. WINTER.

N°. 37.

THE FORM OF AN ACCOUNT OF SALES AS DIRECTED IN THE 30TH. PARAGRAPH OF THE GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S^{T}. DAVID DATED 30TH. AUG^{T}. 1749.

N.B. In the First Place all the Terms and Conditions of the Sale are to be expressed.

And then the Particulars of the Sale in the following Method vizt.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at	Price sold at	Amount of each Lot	To whom sold.
					Total amount.		

N°. 38.

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS ISSUES AND REMAINS OF STORES IN GENERAL AT____________UNDER THE CHARGE OF____________STOREKEEPER.

Quality of Stores.	State the _______1749.	Receipts Since.	Total Quantity of stores.	Issued for the Comp^{as}. Service.	Issued by Sale.	Remains of stores to the_______1749.

No. 39.

ACCOUNT OF GOODS OVER AND WANTING BY THE FOLLOWING SHIPS ARRIV'D ANNO 1749.

℔ SHIP HOUGHTON.

Ticket sign'd by Wm. Frankland and a Dawson.					
	LONGCLOTH ...	4 2	wanting	Ba. 1	Wanting Ps. 1
		4 3	over	1	
		VO 1	wanting	1	
		VO 2	over	1	
	SALLAMPORES.	VO 1	do.	1	
		VO 2	Ba. 1 invoic'd recd.	0	

℔ SHIP OXFORD.

	LONGCLOTH ...	DC 2	over	1	
		DCS 2	wanting	1	

℔ SHIP PORTO BELLO.

	DITTO ...	DS 2	over	2	
		DS 2 B	do.	4	
		DS 3	wanting	3	
		DC 1 B	over	1	
		DC 2 B	do.	1	
		DC 3	do.	9	
		DC 3 B	do.	2	
		DW 2	wanting	1	
		DW 2 B	none invoic'd recd.	1	
measd. & embal'd ℔ Jno. Duncombe.	...	DW 3 B	... ...		do. . Ps. 1
		V 2	over	1	
		VO 2	wanting	1	
		4 2	over	1	
		4O 1	do.	1	
		4O 2	wanting	1	
	LONGCLOTH ...	D 1 M	wanting Ba. ...	9	
		D 2 MB	do.	3	
		FD 1	do.	1	
		FD 2	do.	3	
		FD 3	do.	1	
		F4 1	do.	1	
measd. & embal'd ℔ Jno. Duncombe.	...	D 1 DM	... ...		wanting Ps. 1/2
do. ... do. ℔ do.	...	D 2 DM	... ...		over Ps. 1/2.
	SALLAMPORES	D 2	do. ...	1	
		D 2 B	over ...	1	
do. ... do. ℔ do.	. . . .	D 3 B	... ...		wanting P . 1
		V 1	do. ...	2	
		VO 1	wanting ...	1	
		VO 2	do. ...	1	
do. ... do. ℔ do.	. . . .	D 1 M	... ...		over Ps. 2
do. ... do. ℔ do.	. . . .	D 3 MB	... ...		wanting Ps. 1
do. ... do. ℔ do.	. . . .	FD 2	.. ...		do. Ps. 2
		FD 3	over ...	1	

measd. & embal'd ℘ Jno. Duncombe. BETTELLEES of 50 Covids ... ... D 1 ... ... over Ps. 2

BETTR. PULLICAT 2 Co. Brd. ... D 1 Invoic'd Ps. 125, Ticket & Bale agree Ps. 120, and recd. but Ps. 120.

do. ... do. ℘ do. ROMALS superfine... SF 1 ... ... Wanting P. 2½

No appearance of Plunder in any of these Bales where Peices are wanting, several Bales came without any Tickets, and some Bales differ'd from their Tickets.

EAST INDIA Ho.
6 DECR. 1749.
JOB WILLIAMS.

No. 40.

LONDON 22D. SEPTEMBER 1749.

WEIGHT & TOWER ASSAYS OF THE RUPEES & PAGODAS RECED FROM FORT ST. DAVID ℘ BENJAMIN VIZT.

35 Rupees weigh'd 12 oz. 17 dwt. — is for 1 Rupee wt. 7 dwt. 81/5 gr. +
Assay of 5 came out as follows vizt.

	dwt.	
3	2	. better than Engl Standd.
1.	2½	. ditto
1.	3	. ditto
5		

4 Pagoda's weigh'd 8 dwt. 20 gr. is for 1 Pago. 2 dwt. 5 gr.

Assay of 2 came out each Wo. 1 car. 1½ gr.

2 Star Pagoda's weigh'd 4 dwt. 9 gr. is for 1 Pago. 2 dwt. 4½ gr.

Assay of 1 came out Wo. 2 car. 3½ gr.

THOMAS HORT.

No. 41.

LONDON 12TH. JULY 1749. EXCHA. FOR £500. ST.

Sixty Days after Sight of this my First Bill of Exchange (the Second third & fourth of the same tenor & date not being pay'd) please to pay to the Honble. the President for the Time being of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their Settlement at Fort Saint David in the East Indies aforesaid, or his Order the Sum of Five Hundred pounds Sterling: Value received of the said Company in London and place the same to my Account as per advice from [*Illegible* . .]

To MR. MICHAEL GREGORY
MERCHANT AT
FORT ST. DAVID
(First).

No. 41.

Londrer a 12 Juilo 1749 @

Sr. Miguel Gregory.

Mes sr.

Serve estaparalle informar coms nestediapassey minha Letra sobre vm de Libras Quinientas Esterlinas a 60 dias Vista en favor do Sendor Presidente do Forte Sam David porparte de Compandia da India Umda Ingelaterra Valor Recebido nesta da dita Compandia: que sora vm servido Onsar comses Aceito em lle sends a presentada, e com Pagamento pronto a seo Vencimento, Carregando a sua Importancia na minha Conta, no que Receberec Favor: e Deor aVm goaida prmus Dilatador annos. [?]

Mily Certo Servid Idm

[*Illegible*]

Translation.

London 12th. July, 1749.

Mr. Michl Gregory.

Sr.

THIS waits upon you to acquaint You That I have this day drawn upon You a Bill for Five hundred pounds Sterling payable sixty days after sight to the Honble. the President for the time being of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies at their Settlement at Fort St. David or his order value received here of the said Company: which you will be pleased to Honour with your acceptance when presented to you and with payment when due charging the same to my account, in doing of which you will much Oblige

Sr. Yr. Most Hble. Servt.

Marut Marcar

Translated by me

Solomon Dacosta [. . .]

No. 42.

Remarks on the Accounts of Mr. William Belches Surgeon and Agent for Sick & Wounded Seamen at Fort St. David between the 1st. January 1745 and 31st. July 1748 Vizt.

Articles.	Remarks.	Board's Orders.
ACCOUNT No. 1.		7 Septr. 1749.
1. Dolphin. Wm. Dent Ss. 30th. January 1745.	No Ship's Certificate for this Man but on Examining the Muster Book at the Navy Office, he is noted Sick the same day wth. Mr. Belches's Account.	Ordd.—That the want of a Ship's Certificate for this Man be dispensed with for the Reasons here given.
2. Contingencys Vizt. (Pag. Fan.) A Wooden Leg. 9 — ; Coolys and Doolys to carry the Sick to the Hospital 5 24	No Receipts are produced for Payment of this Money neither has Mr. Belches made Affidavit to the truth of it.	That these Contingencys be deducted now but that they be allowed hereafter when Mr. Belches's Affidavit to the truth of the Payment shall have been produced.
3. Funerals charged at 2 12 ea.	This is near £ 1–2 Sterling.	That no more than 10. Sterling be now allowed for each Funeral but that the Overplus be paid when Mr. Belches's Affidavit to the truth of the Disbursement shall have been produced.
4. Affidavit not signed by Mr. Belches.	This is Attested by Commodore Peyton and one Mr. Chs. Moyer.	That this Omission be dispensed with.
ACCOUNT No. 2.		
1. Contingencys Vizt. A Wooden Leg. 3 — ; Coolys & Doolys to carry the Sick to the Hospital ... 6 — ; [total] 9 —	Vide No. 2 of Account No. 1.	Vide No. 2 of Account No. 1.
2. Funerals as No. 3 of Acct. No. 1.	Vide No. 3 of Ditto.	Vide No. 3 of Ditto.
3. Affidavits as No. 4 of Ditto.	Vide No. 4 of Ditto.	Vide No. 4 of Ditto.

REMARKS ON THE ACCOUNTS OF M^R. WILLIAM BELCHES SURGEON AND AGENT FOR SICK & WOUNDED SEAMEN AT FORT S^T. DAVID BETWEEN THE 1ST. JANUARY 1745 AND 31ST. JULY 1748, VIZ^T.—*cont.*

ACCOUNT N°. 3.

Articles.	Remarks.	Board's Orders.
1. Contingencys Viz^t.		7 Septr. 1749.
Pag. Fan. Coolys & Doolys to carry the Sick to the Hospital ... 5 —	Vide N°. 2 of Account N. 1.	Vide N°. 2 of Account N°. 1.
2. Funerals as N°. 3 of Account N°. 1.	Vide N°. 3 of Ditto.	Vide N°. 3 of Ditto.
3. Affidavits as N°. 4 of Ditto.	Vide N°. 4 of Ditto.	Vide N°. 4 of Ditto.

ACCOUNT N°. 4.

Articles.	Remarks.	Board's Orders.
		7 Septr. 1749.
1. Preston . . Jonathan Brown Ss. 8th. Decem^r. 1745.	No Ships Certificate for this Man and on Examining the Muster Books at the Navy Office the Man is Run 24 Novr. 1745.	Ord^d.—That this Man be struk out of the Account for the Reason here given.
2. Funerals as N°. 3 of Account N°. 1.	Vide N°. 3 of Account N°. 1.	Vide N°. 3 of Account N°. 1.
3. Affidavit as N°. 4 of Ditto.	Vide N°. 4 of Ditto.	Vide N°. 4 of Ditto.

ACCOUNT N°. 5.

Articles.	Remarks.	Board's Orders.
1. Medway. Thos. Coles, John Thomas — Ss. 12 Aug^t.	No Ships Certificate for these Men but on examining the Muster Books at the Navy Office they are Noted Viz^t. Thomas Coles Ss. 1 July; John Thomas Ss. 11 Aug^t.	That the Want of a Ships Certificate for these Men be dispensed with for the reasons here given.
2. Contingencys Viz^t. Pag. Fan. Cooleys & Doolys to carry the Sick to the Hospital. 20 —	Vide N°. 2 of Account N°. 1.	Vide N°. 2 of Account N°. 1
3. Funerals as N°. 3 of Account N°. 1.	Vide N°. 3 of Ditto	Vide N°. 3 of Ditto.
4. Affidavit as N°. 4 of Ditto.	This is Attested by M^r. Charles Moyer and the Account by Admiral Griffin.	Vide N°. 4 of Ditto.

REMARKS ON THE ACCOUNTS OF MR. WILLIAM BELCHES SURGEON AND AGENT FOR SICK & WOUNDED SEAMEN AT FORT ST. DAVID BETWEEN THE 1ST. JANUARY 1745 AND 31ST. JULY 1748, VIZT.—*cont.*

Articles.	Remarks.	Board's Orders.
ACCOUNT No. 6.		
1. Funerals as No. 3 of Account N . 1	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.
2. Contingencys Vizt. Pag. Fan. Cooleys & Dooleys to carry the Sick to the Hospital. 12 18	Vide No. 2 of Ditto.	Vide No. 2 of Ditto.
3. Affidavits as No. 4 of Account No. 1	Vide No. 4 of Ditto ...	Vide No. 4 of Ditto.
ACCOUNT No. 7.		
1. Funerals, as No. 3 of Account No. 1.	Vide No. 3 of Ditto ...	Vide No. 3 of Ditto.
ACCOUNT No. 8.		Ordd.
1. Contingencies Vizt. Pag. Fan. Cooleys & Dooleys to carry the Sick to the Hospital ... 6 34	Receipt for payment of the Money not Witnessed neither has Mr. Belches made Affidavit to the Truth of it.	That this be dispensed with.
2. Funerals, as No. 3 of Account No. 1	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.
ACCOUNT No. 9.		
1. Lively. . . George Ogilvie ss. 15 July 1748.	No Ships Certificate for this Man and on enquiry at the Navy Office the Muster Book for the time is not yet received.	That this Man be now struck out of the Account but that he be allowed hereafter if it shall appear on Receipt of the Ships Muster Book that he was really Sick.
2. Funerals, as No. 3 of Account No. 1	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.	Vide No. 3 of Account No. 1.
3. Contingencys Vizt. Pag. Fan. Cooleys & Dooleys to carry the Sick to the Hospital ... 7 7	Vide No. 2 of Ditto.	Vide No. 2 of Do.

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Abstract of Deductions.

Acct.		Pag.	Fan.	Pag.	Fan.
No. 1.	To Contingencies	...	...	14	24
	58 Days overcharged the day of Entry not being allowed, the Men being Victualled on board the Ships the Day they go Sick on Shore	...	...	12	32
	5 Funerals	11	24	...	...
2.	Contingencys	...	...	9	...
	21 Days as above	...	...	4	24
	3 Funerals	7	...	...	...
3.	Contingencys	...	...	5	...
	3 Funerals	7	...	...	...
4.	84 Days for John Brown of the Preston Received the 8th. December 1745 there being no Ships Certificate for him ...	...	...	18	24
5.	171 Days overcharged the days of Entry not being allowed for the Reasons above	...	...	38	...
	Contingencys	...	...	20	...
	25 Funerals	58	12	...	...
6.	171 Days as above	...	...	38	...
	Contingencys	...	...	12	18
	10 Funerals	23	12		
7.	549 Days as above	...	...	122	...
	30 Funerals	70	...		
8.	481 Days as above	...	...	106	32
	57 Ditto for 9 of the Company's Soldiers	...	..	12	24
	19 Funerals	44	12		
9.	16 Days for George Ogilvie of the Lively Reced the 15th. July 1748, there being no Ships Certificate	...	...	3	20
	191 Days overcharged as before.	..	...	42	16
	9 Funerals	21	...		
		242	24	460	34

Pag. Fan.			Sterling. £	s.	d.
460. 34 is 16594 Fanams Exchange $14\frac{3}{4}$ weighty Dollrs. to every 10 Pagodas or 360 Fanams at 6. 6 Sterling ℘ Dollar amounts to ...			220	19	$3\frac{1}{2}$
242. 24 is 8736 Fanams. Exchange &ca. as above amount to	116 6 $6\frac{3}{4}$				
Abate of this Deduction, 10s. each for 104 Funerals, allowed in part.	52 — —		64	6	$6\frac{3}{4}$
Total Deductions ...			235	5	$10\frac{1}{4}$

The foregoing is a true State of the Deductions made on the Account of Mr. William Belches Surgeon and Agent at Fort St. David.

Sick & Wounded Office
the 4th: Decemr. 1749
H. Gotobed *Chief Clerk.*

N°. 43.

℘ Grantham

A List of Mathematical Instruments & other Articles belonging to the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, provided for the Use of their Engineer General Benjamin Robins Esqr. to be left with the Governour & Council at any of the said Company's Settlements as may be most convenient to him on his Departure from India Viz^{t}.

N°. 5	Mathematical Instruments 1 Case	£77	16	—
15	2 Hadleys Quardrants Brass	6	6	—
14	1 Azimuth Compass	4	4	—
6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11	Carpenters Tools &ca 1 Chest 4 Cases ...	66	15	1
N°. 1 a 3. 13	Tools for Boring Ground & driving Piles ...	11	14	7
N°. 12	Carpenters Tools 1 Chest	12	9	5
		£179	5	1

London 8 Decem. 1749

Thomas Hort.

N°. 44.

1749

A List of Lascars on board the Ship Lapwing that came to England as follows Viz^{t}.

On the Ship Lapwing

John Perade
John Rederick
Dives Swors
Eneas Degrow
Anthony Mines
Domingo De Cruize

On the Swallow Snow

Anthony Limas
Thomas Aquino
Bascoal De Cruize
Anthony Shaviel
Pedro De Santo
Santiago
John Carpet
Michael FanColster
Raimundo Joseph
Laurian
Cornelius De Cruize
Nicholas De Santo
Theodosia
John De Rosairo
Peter Hecker.

East India House
London the 30th. Augt. 1749.

H^{r}. Crabb Boulton.

N°. 45.

COPY VICTUALLING-BILL, AND STORES OF THE SHIP YORK CAPTAIN EDWARD WARD COMMANDER, BURTHEN 499 TONS, 99 MEN, 30 GUNS, BOUND FOR FORT SAINT DAVID.

Viz.

Ale, Strong Beer, Syder or Mum, in Casks or Bottles, according to Bulk ...	*Five Tons.*
Beef, Pork, Bacon, Sewit and Tongues.	*Twenty-five Tons.*
Beer Strong, in Casks (not Bottles) ...	*Six Tons.*
Beer Small	*Forty Tons.*
Bread	*Thirty Thousand Weight.*
Butter	*Thirty Firkins.*
Brandy and *English* Spirits	*Two Hundred and fifty Gallons.*
Billet Wood	*Twenty-five Thousand.*
Brimstone	*Two Hundred Weight.*
Coals	*Fifteen Chaldrons.*
Candles	*Fifty Dozen.*
Cheese	*Fifty Hundred Weight.*
Chirurgery and Drugs	*Fifty Pounds Value.*
Canvass	*Twenty Bolts.*
Flower	*Seventy Hundred Weight.*
Fish ₰ Tale	*Seven Thousand.*
Fruit	*Fifteen Hundred Weight.*
Gunpowder	*Fifty Barrels.*
Iron-Shot	*Four Tons.*
Iron for Store	*Four Tons.*
Lime Juice	*One Hundred Gallons.*
Lead Shot of Sorts	*Two Tons.*
Mustard-Seed	*Ten Bushels.*
Oatmeal	*Fifty Bushels.*
Oil, Sweet and Lamp	*Three Hundred Gallons.*
Oats, Barley and Bran	*Three Hundred Bushels.*
Oranges and Lemons	*Six Chests.*
Pease	*One Hundred and eighty Bushels.*
Pitch	*Twenty Barrels.*
Red and White Herring and Salmon ...	*Five Barrels.*
Rosin	*Six Hundred Weight.*
Spare Cordage	*Five Tons.*
Sheet Lead for Store	*Ten Hundred Weight.*
Sauces of all Sorts	*Five Cases.*
Salt, White and Bay	*Forty Bushels.*
Sugar and Spice	*Fifteen Hundred Weight.*
Slops	*Two Chests.*
Tobacco	*Twenty Hundred Weight.*
Tobbcco Pipes	*One Hundred Groce.*
Tar	*Twenty Barrels.*
Turpentine	*Three Barrels.*

Vinegar	*Six Hogsheads.*
Wine in Cask and Bottles, according to Bulk, accounting thirty-six Dozen to Ton	*Six Tons.*
Water, what shall be thought fit, but not less than	*Forty Tons.*
Also one Case or Cask of Brandy, or strong Waters, for each Seaman, not exceeding	*Six Gallons.*

BOATSWAIN'S, GUNNER'S AND CARPENTER'S STORES AS USUAL, THAT ARE NOT PARTICULARLY ABOVE-MENTIONED, SEEING THEM TO BE SUCH.

EAST-INDIA-HOUSE,
THE 16 DECEMBER, 1749.

BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING
OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS.
H^Y^. CRABB BOULTON.

N°. 46.

COPY VICTUALLING-BILL, AND STORES OF THE SHIP PORTFIELD CAPTAIN CARTERET LE GEYT COMMANDER, BURTHEN 400 TONS, 80 MEN, 30 GUNS, BOUND FOR FORT SAINT DAVIDS.

VIZ.

Ale, Strong Beer, Syder or Mum, in Casks or Bottles, according to Bulk ...	*Four Tons.*
Beef, Pork, Bacon, Sewit and Tongues.	*Twenty Tons.*
Beer Strong, in Casks (not Bottles) ...	*Five Tons.*
Beer Small	*Thirty-two Tons.*
Bread	*Twenty-four Thousand Weight.*
Butter	*Twenty-four Firkins.*
Brandy and *English* Spirits	*Two Hundred Gallons.*
Billet Wood	*Twenty Thousand..*
Brimstone	*One Hundred & Eighty Pounds Weight.*
Coals	*Twelve Chaldron.*
Candles	*Forty Dozen.*
Cheese	*Forty Hundred Weight.*
Chirurgery and Drugs	*Forty Pounds Value.*
Canvas	*Sixteen Bolts.*
Flower	*Fifty-six Hundred Weight.*
Fish & Tale	*Five Thousand Six Hundred.*
Fruit	*Twelve Hundred Weight.*
Gunpowder	*Forty Barrels.*
Iron Shot	*Three Tons Four Hundred Weight.*
Iron for Store	*Three Tons Four Hundred Weight.*
Lime Juice	*Eighty Gallons.*
Lead Shot of Sorts	*Thirty-two Hundred Weight.*

Mustard Seed	*Eight Bushels.*
Oatmeal	*Forty Bushels.*
Oil, Sweet and Lamp	*Two Hundred and Forty Gallons.*
Oats, Barley and Bran	*Two Hundred and Forty Bushels.*
Oranges and Lemons	*Five Chests.*
Pease	*One Hundred and Forty-four Bushels.*
Pitch	*Sixteen Barrels.*
Red and White Herring and Salmon ...	*Four Barrels.*
Rosin	*Five Hundred Weight.*
Spare Cordage	*Four Tons.*
Sheet Lead for Store	*Eight Hundred Weight.*
Sauces of all Sorts	*Four Cases.*
Salt, White and Bay	*Thirty-two Bushels.*
Sugar and Spice	*Twelve Hundred Weight.*
Slops	*Two Chests.*
Tobacco	*Sixteen Hundred Weight*
Tobacco Pipes	*Eighty Groce.*
Tar	*Sixteen Barrels.*
Turpentine	*Three Barrels.*
Vinegar	*Five Hogsheads.*
Wine in Cask and Bottles, according to Bulk, accounting thirty-six Dozen to a Ton	*Five Tons.*
Water, what shall be thought fit, but less than	*Thirty-two Tons.*
Also one Case or Cask of Brandy or Strong Waters for each Seaman, not exceeding	*Six Gallons.*

Boatswain's, Gunner's, and Carpenter's Stores as usual, that are not particularly before-mentioned, seeing them to be such.

By the Committee of Shipping of
the Court of Directors.

East-India-House,
the 4th. Novemr. 1749.

Hy. Crabb Boulton.

N°. 47.

Copy Victualling-Bill, and Stores of the Ship Swallow Captain John Bell Commander, Burthen 200 Tons, 35 Men, Guns, bound for Fort Saint Davids. Viz.

Ale, Strong Beer, Syder or Mum, in Casks or Bottles, according to Bulk ...	*Two Tons.*
Beef, Pork, Bacon, Sewit and Tongues.	*Ten Tons.*

Beer Strong, in Casks (not Bottles) ...	*Two tons and an half.*
Beer Small	*Sixteen Tons.*
Bread	*Twelve Thousand Weight.*
Butter	*Twelve Firkins.*
Brandy and *English* Spirits	*One Hundred Gallons.*
Billet Wood	*Ten Thousand.*
Brimstone	*Ninety Pounds Weight.*
Coals	*Six Chaldron.*
Candles	*Twenty Dozen.*
Cheese	*Twenty Hundred Weight.*
Chirurgery and Drugs	*Twenty Pounds Value.*
Canvas	*Eight Bolts.*
Flower	*Twenty-eight Hundred Weight.*
Fish & Tale	*Two Thousand Eight Hundred.*
Fruit	*Six Hundred Weight.*
Gunpowder	*Twenty Barrels.*
Iron Shot	*One Ton Twelve Hundred Weight.*
Iron for Store	*One Ton Twelve Hundred Weight.*
Lime Juice	*Forty Gallons.*
Lead Shot of Sorts	*Sixteen Hundred Weight.*
Mustard Seed	*Four Bushels.*
Oatmeal	*Twenty Bushels.*
Oil, Sweet and Lamp	*One Hundred and Twenty Gallons*
Oats, Barley and Bran	*One Hundred and Twenty Bushels.*
Oranges and Lemons	*Two Chests and an half.*
Pease	*Seventy-two Bushels.*
Pitch	*Eight Barrels.*
Red and White Herring and Salmon ...	*Two Barrels.*
Rosin	*Two Hundred Weight and an half.*
Spare Cordage	*Two Tons.*
Sheet Lead for Store	*Four Hundred Weight.*
Sauces of all Sorts	*Two Cases.*
Salt, White and Bay	*Sixteen Bushels.*
Sugar and Spice	*Six Hundred Weight.*
Slops	*One Chest.*
Tobacco	*Eight Hundred Weight.*
Tobacco Pipes	*Forty Groce.*
Tar	*Eight Barrels.*
Turpentine	*Two Barrels.*
Vinegar	*Three Hogsheads.*
Wine in Cask and Bottles, according to Bulk, accounting thirty-six Dozen to a Ton	*Two Tons and an half.*

Water, what shall be thought fit, but not less than ... ... *Sixteen Tons.*

Also one Case or Cask of Brandy or Strong Waters for each Seamen, not exceeding. *Sixteen Gallons.*

BOATSWAIN'S GUNNER'S, AND CARPENTER'S STORES AS USUAL, THAT ARE NOT PARTICULARLY BEFOREMENTIONED, SEEING THEM TO BE SUCH.

BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS.

EAST-INDIA-HOUSE,
THE 10TH OCTOBER 1749.

HT. CRABB BOULTON.

No. 48.

AT A COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND, TRADING TO THE EAST-INDIES, HOLDEN THE 15TH OF NOVEMBER, 1734.

WHEREAS We the said *Court of Directors* are willing to give all fitting Encouragement to the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen, on Board the Ships which shall, from Time to Time, be Employed to and from the *East-Indies*, and other Limits of the *Company's* Charter, We do hereby Declare as follows; *viz.*

That the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen may Export in Bullion, or such Goods as shall be allowed by the *Court of Directors*, or any Committee appointed by them, each of them the Sums or Values hereunder-mentioned, so as the same be for their own proper Use and Account, and not for the Account of any other Person or Persons whatsoever; and so as the same be invested in the Goods and Merchandizes hereby declared to be allowed, and not in any of the Goods or Merchandizes reserved for the Trade of the said *Company*, except as hereunder-mentioned. *Provided*, That each Person Exporting all, or Part of the said Sums or Values, or Importing the Produce of them, do not take up more of the Ship's Tonnage, than the limited Proportion allowed to such Person, as his Part or Share of the *Charter-Party* Allowance. *Provided also*, That the Commanders, Officers or Seamen, shall not be allowed to dispose of their Privilege to any other Person or Persons whatsoever, or to make Use of the Privilege allowed to any other; *viz.*

The Commander Three Hundred Pounds, Chief Mate Sixty Pounds, Second Mate Forty Pounds, Third Mate Thirty Pounds, Purser Thirty Pounds, Fourth Mate Twenty Pounds, and to all other Chief Officers, as Surgeon, Boatswain, Gunner, Carpenter, Steward, and Quarter-Master, each Fifteen Pounds, the Midshipmen Ten Pounds upon every Hundred Tons, the Ship they serve in shall be Lett for; and to all other Seamen the Value of Ten Pounds only each Man, be the Ships more or less in Burthen.

And as a further Encouragement to the Commanders, they are each of them hereby allowed to export or carry out in Bullion, or such Goods as the Company do not Trade in, the Value of so much further, as, with the before-mentioned Privilege, will make their Outward-bound Adventure amount to three Thousand Pounds.

And we do hereby allow each Commander to Invest in *India*, the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds, and no more, under the following Limitations and to pay the Remainder of the Produce of the said Outward-bund Adventure, into the Company's Cash, at the same Rates as their Covenant Servants are at present allowed.

GOODS HEREBY ALLOWED TO BE IMPORTED BY THE COMMANDERS, OFFICERS, AND SEAMEN; VIZ.

Aggats.

Ambergreece.

Ammoniacum.

Arrack, Four Leaguers for each One Hundred Tons the Ship is Lett for, paying upon what exceeds that Quantity One Shilling and Six Pence *per* Gallon, over and above all other Duties.

Assa-fœtida.
Benjamin.
Bezoar Stones.
Cabinets.
Cambogium.
Camphire.
Canes.
Cardemons.
Cassia Fistula.
Cassiai Lignea.
China Fans and *Pictures.*
China Images and *Pictures.*
China Root.

China-Ware, in *China* Ships, and in them only, to the gross Amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds at the Company's Candle.

Civet.
Cordivants, and all Sorts of Leather.
Cornelian Rings.
Cubebs.
Diamonds, *Pearls*, and all Precious Stones.

Ebony Wood.
Gallingal.
Goa Stones.
Gold.
Japan Ware.
Lacks, of all Sorts.
Lacquer'd Ware.
Lapis Lazuli.
Lapis Tutiae.
Long Pepper.
Mirabolans.
Musk.
Myrrh.
Nux Vomica.
Olibanum.
Opium.
Oppoponax.
Orpiment.
Ostrich's Feathers.
Rangoes.

Rattans, Two Hnndred Bundles for each One Hundred Tons

the Ship is Lett for, but upon all Exceedings, to pay Ten Shillings each Bundle, as far as One Hundred Bundles, and all farther Exceedings to be forfeited.

Rhubarb.
Rice.
Roman Vitriol.
Safflower.
Sagoe.
Sal Armoniack.
Sanguis Draconis.
Scamony.
Sealing Wax.
Sena.
Skreens.
Spices; viz. *Cinnamon*, *Cloves*, *Mace*, *Nutmegs*, and their Oils.
Spikenard.
Sugar Candy.
Tamarinds.
Tea, in *China* Ships, and them only, Two Hundred Weight for each Hundred Tons the Ship is Lett for.
Tortoise Shells.
Tutenague.
Wormseeds.

And any other Goods which are not reserved, as hereunder-mentioned.

And We do hereby Declare, That upon all the above-mentioned Goods there shall be charg'd and paid, the Customs, the Company's Duty of Five *per Cent.* (except *Arrack*, on which Six Pence *per Gallon* shall be paid instead of the Five *per Cent.*) and the customary Charge of Two *per Cent.* for Warehouse-room, on all Goods, excepting *China Ware* and *Lacquer'd Ware*, whereon Four *per Cent.* shall be paid.

Goods reserved for the Trade of the said Company; viz.

Muslins, *Callicoes*, and all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes made or mixed with *Cotton*, or *Silk*, or *Herba*, of what Denomination soever.

Carmenia Wool ...	*Pepper*, Black or White ...	*Tea*, of all Sorts, except as before-mentioned.
Coffee	*Raw Silk*, of all Sorts ...	
Cotton Wool ...	*Ditto Thrown*	
Cotton Yarn ...	*Saltpetre.*	
Cowries	*Redwood.*	*Turmerick.*

But notwithstanding the above Reservation, the *Court of Directors* do hereby, as a further Encouragement, allow each Commander to lay out and invest, in *India*, to the Amount of Two Thousand Pounds (Part of the above-mentioned Three Thousand Pounds) reckoning the *Pagoda* at Eight Shillings, and the *Rupee* at Two Shillings and Six Pence, in any of the Commodities so reserved, excepting only such as may be limited or prohibited in their Instructions, And provided each Commander bring no more than Five Hundred Pieces of any particular Species of Piece-Goods, nor the *China* Captains more than half their Three *per Cent.* Privilege in *Tea*, upon paying the Five *per Cent.* Duty, Fifteen *per Cent.* Indulgence, and the usual Warehouse-room, upon the gross Sale thereof at the Candle.

And upon all Exceedings of the before-mentioned Allowances, an additional Duty of Thirty *per Cent* on the gross Sale, shall be paid for the Use of the said Company, except on *Arrack* and *Rattans*, which are to remain on the Terms above stated.

No. 49.

TO ALL PEOPLE *to whom these Presents shall* [*concern*], The United Company of Merchants of England, Trading [to the] East-Indies, *Send greeting.* Whereas [in and] *by an Act of Parliament made in the Fifth Year of* [his late] *Majesty's Reign, It is (amongst other Things) Enacted,* [That if] any of his Majesty's Subjects should, from and [after the] twentieth Day of *February*, One Thousand Seven [Hundred] and Eighteen, sail, go, or repair to, or be in the *East* [*Indies*] in the Countries and Parts of *Asia* and *Africa*, or [in such] Places of *Asia*, *Africa*, and *America*, or any of them, [beyond] the Cape of *Bona Esperanza* to the Streights of *Magellan*, where any Trade or [Traffick] of Merchandize is or may be used or had, contrary to the Laws then in being, or the [Tenor of] the said Act; such Persons, so offending, should be liable to such Punishment as by any [Law in] being might be inflicted for such Offence; and that it should and might be lawful [to and] for the *United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*, and their [Successors], to take, arrest and seize, or cause to be taken, arrested and seized such Person or [Persons] being a Subject or Subjects of his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, at any Place or Places [where] he or they shall be found, within the Limits or Places aforesaid; and the Person and [Persons] so taken, arrested, and seized, to send and remit to *England*, there to answer for the [offence] aforesaid, according to due Course of Law. *And it was in and by the said Act* [*provided and*] *enacted, that the said Act should continue in Force for five years, and from thence to the* [*end of*] *the then next Session of Parliament, and no longer.* AND WHEREAS, *in and by an* [*Act of*] *Parliament made in the ninth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George*, the [*said act*] *of the fifth* Year *of his said late Majesty was further continued in Force for seven* Years [*from*] *the* 25*th Day of* March, *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty three, and from thence* [*to the*] *End of the then next Session of Parliament.* AND WHEREAS *by an Act of Parliament made in the fifth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty the said first mentioned Act is* [*revised*] *and further continued in Force for seven Years, from the first Day of* May, *One Thousand* [*seven*] *Hundred and Thirtytwo, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.* AND WHEREAS *by an Act of Parliament made in the thirteenth Year of the* [*Reign of*] *his present Majesty, the last recited Act of the fifth Year of his present Majesty is* [*continued till*] *the first Day of* June, *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-Seven. And by another* [*Act*] *of Parliament, made in the twentieth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, the same* [*Act is*] *further continued from the Expiration thereof until the twenty-fifth Day of* March, [*One thou*]*sand Seven Hundred and Eighty; as in and by the said Acts, Relation being thereunto* [*had, may*] *more fully appear.* NOW KNOW YE, *That we the said* United Company [*do by*] *Virtue of the Power granted to us by the above-mentioned Act, and Acts of Parliament* [*hereby*] *Authorise, and Empower* Captain John Bell Commander of the [ship] Swallow and the Commander for the time being *pursuant to the Powers of the said Acts to take, arrest, and seize, all and every Person and* [*Persons*] *being a Subject or Subjects of his Majsty, his Heirs or Successors, offending against the* [*Laws*] *aforesaid, within the Places aforesaid; and the Person and Persons so taken, arrested and* [*seized*] *to send and remit to* England *to answer for his or their Offence, according to due Course of Law.* IN WITNESS *whereof the said* United Company *have hereunto caused their Common Seal* [*to*] *be affixed, this* Fourth *Day of* October *in the Year of our Lord* [*one*] *Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-nine.*

No. 50.

List of Ships taken up for and arrived from [the] East Indies in the Year 1749.

Taken up.

Ships.	Burthen.	Comanders.	Consignment.	When [taken up].
Lapwing	300	Francis Cheyne ...	Bengal	6th. Septemr. [. . .]
Swallow	180	John Bell ...	Madagascar Coast & Bencoolen and Bengal.	26th. October [. . .]
Duke of Cumberland.	499	Robert Osborne ...	Fort St. David and China.	
Prince Edward ...	499	Robert Haldane ...	Fort St. David and China.	
Grantham ...	499	Walter Wilson ...	Fort St. David and China.	
York	499	Edward Ward ...	Fort St. David and China.	
Portfield	400	Carteret Le Geyt...	Fort St. David Benjar and China.	
Norfolk	499	Nathaniel Hancock.	Madeira and Coast and Bay.	
Kent	499	William Robson ...	Coast and Bay ..	
London	499	William Sedgwick.	Coast and Bay ..	
Lynn	498	William Egerton ..	Coast and Bay ..	
Anson	499	Charles Foulis Comodore.	Bombay	
Shaftesbury ...	499	William Bookey ...	Bombay	
Ilchester	499	John Tedd ...	Persia and Bombay.	
Suffolk	499	William Wilson ...	St. Helena and Bencoolen.	

Arrived.

Swallow	16th. April 1749.
Essex	28th. Do.
Lapwing	28th. May.
Benjamin	30th. Do.
Hardwicke	18th. June.
Scarborough	19th. Do.
Duke of Dorset	4th. July.
Prince of Wales	4th. July.
Wager	14th. Do.
Eastcourt	1st. August 1749.
Orford	3d. Do.
Stretham	17th. Do.
True Briton	19th. Do.
Colchester	17th. September.
Exeter	17th. September.
Oxford	17th. September.
Godolphin	18th. October.
Porto Bello	19th. October.
Bombay Castle	20th. October.

East India House London
the 3D. November 1749.

Robt. James
Secry.

No. 51.

MADEIRA 23D. MAY 1750.

TO THE HONBLE [PRESIDENT & COUNCIL].
AT FORT ST. DAVID ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL.

GENTLEMEN

This [God Willing] will be deliver'd you by the Ship [Norfolk] Capt. Nathaniel Hancook, by whom we received orders from the Honble. United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies to Ship for their Accompt to [your] Consignation One hundred & fifty Pipes of Wine, and the same quantity to [the] Consignation of the President & Council at Fort William in Bengall.

Accordingly We send you Inclosed Bill of Lading for the One hundred and fifty Pipes to your Consignation, as also Invoice of their Cost & Charges amount[ing] to 8532 & 444rs And Annex'd thereto Invoice of the Cost & Charges of the [One hundred] & fifty pipes Consign'd to the President and Council at Fort William, [. . .] also to 8532 & 444rs. In both invoices [are] included the Cost & Charges of [. . .] & hoops sent us by the said Company [. . .] of said Invoices [we . . .] their Accompt Current for your [Gov . . . order] to Credit them at [a . . .] full value of the [Pipes to your . . .] have also the Accompt of [. . .] & hoops sent us from the [last] year's Accompt, for your Government in that [. . .]

The Wines are all of the best of last growth, and we doubt not their [proving] to satisfaction, having taken all due Care in their Choice. The reason of [their] being so monstrous dear is, that our old Wines were all exhausted by the [. . .] October, and our last Vintage, also proved short, and a very great demand so [. . .] November, the Natives enhanced their price on us & the degree you [. . .]

We heartily wish the Ship a quick & safe Passage to you, and [remain] with great Regard.

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servant,

CHAMBERS BAKER & [HICCOX.]

No. 52.

VICTUALLING OFFICE 8TH. DECEMR. 1749.

GENTLEMEN

In pursuance of directions from the Rt. Honble the Lord Commrs. of the Admty, We have put on board the four East India men named in the Margin a supply of Beef & pork for the use of the Squadron of His Majestys Ships under the Comand of Comodore Lisle, But lest the said Squadron should contrary to Expectation be sail'd for Europe, before the said Beef and pork arrives in the East Indies, We have thought it adviseable to consign the same in such Case to your Orders; and desire if it should come into your hands, that after you are thoroughly Satisfy'd all His Majty's, Ships are sail'd for Europe, you will please to dispose thereof by Sale to the best advantage that may be for His Majty. And as the Court of directors [have] signify'd to Us that they have given [Orders] that the produce of such Sale may be [. . .] into their Cash, and Bills drawn upon them for the same at the rate of seven shillings and eight pence ℔ pagoda, We desire you will pay the amount of said Sale, after deducting the necessary Charges attending the same, and the usual Commission into the Companys Cash, and transmit Us Bills upon the directors payable to the Treasurer of His Majesty's Navy for the time being accordingly. And with the said Bills you will also please to send Us the Account of Sale.

Duke of Cumberland Grantham, York, Prince Edward.

To the President & Council of the East India Company at Fort St. Davids or any other of their Settlements on that Coast

The Original Bills of Lading for the said Beef and Pork, go under Cover to Comodore Lisle, or the Comander of any of the Ships of the said Squadron that may be first met with, or in Case they shall all be sail'd for Europe, then they are Address'd to your Care. But nevertheless We have thought proper to Send you at foot, an Abstract of them, by which you will be inform'd of what part of the said Supply is on board each of the said Ships.

What remains for Us to add, is that Spile Holes are made in the Bung Staves of the Casks containing the said Flesh, and Scupper Nails put into them, to prevent any damage to them for want of Vent, upon the pickles fermenting, which it is apt to do in hot Climates, and therefore We must desire you will please to give Orders that the said Holes may be fill'd up at the Unstowing of the Casks to prevent the pickles being lost, and the Flesh being damaged thereby.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servants,

RICH[D]. HALL.
H. TOWNSHEND. JA[S]. WALLACE.
H. JENKINS.
[P. STANLEY.]

AN ABSTRACT OF THE PROVISIONS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE FOUR FOLLOWING EAST INDIAMEN FOR THE USE OF COMODORE LISLE'S SQUADRON.

	Beef. 4 lb. pieces.	Pork. 2 lb. pieces.	Punc ns. N°.	Iron Hoops. N°.
Duke of Cumberland	7798	6900	69	552
Grantham	7872	6910	69	552
York	7834	6752	69	552
Prince Edward	7896	6888	69	552

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